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Swaraj Does Not Mean Change Of Hands

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Satyagraha Not Intended To Embarrass England

"SWARAJ to me is Swaraj for the masses. It does not mean merely a change of hands. According to my definition of Swaraj every man and woman must get a balanced diet and a decent house."—Mahatma Gandhi.

LAW OF NON-VIOLENCE EXPLAINED

WARDHAGANJ, Oct. 13.

Speaking yesterday at the function at which the Nagpur, Berar and Mahakoshal Provincial Congress Committees presented him with Rs. 11,000 and about 30,000,000 yards of yarn, Mahatma Gandhi said: "Swaraj to me is Swaraj for the masses. It does not mean merely change of hands. According to my definition of Swaraj, even the poorest Indians should get enough milk, ghee, vegetable and fruit. Every man and woman must get a balanced diet and a decent house."

Answering the criticism that the satyagraha movement is not making any impression on the Government, Gandhiji said: "I am quite satisfied with the present pace of the movement. I do not want to increase its pace. It will develop along its own line according to the law of non-violence. Non-violence is an attribute of the Almighty, whose ways of fulfilling himself are inscrutable.

"It was repeated again and again that England's difficulty is our best opportunity. Let me tell you that the Bombay resolution of the A.I.C.C. precludes any such policy. How can we swear by non-violence and embarrass England in the hour of her difficulty? The Congress resolutions are responsible utterances of an organisation which does not want to bluff the world."

Mahatma Gandhi laid stress on the necessity of carrying out the constructive programme and remarked: "Even if a handful of men remain true to their creed, we are bound to succeed as civil disobedience is no doubt a great and powerful weapon. But we cannot wield it effectively unless the nation works out the constructive programme."

Concluding he said: "Let me remind you that the non-violent struggle is a struggle of suffering and sacrifice. In the violent diabolical warfare going on in Europe the people have to undergo unwillingly untold sufferings. There is no occasion for sufferings on that scale in our struggle. Here we are expected only to court imprisonment repeatedly. If we cannot suffer a little all talk of Swaraj is futile."—United Press.

CONGRESS LEADERS' TALKS

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Asaf Ali, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai and Mr. S. Satyamurti had discussions for nearly an hour and a half this morning at the residence of Mr. Bhulabhai Desai. The question of attendance of Congress members at the ensuing session of the Central Assembly it is understood, was one of the subjects discussed.

Talks will be resumed on Tuesday morning.

The trend of discussions which Mr. Satyamurti had with Mahatma Gandhi on the question of resumption of office by the Congress Ministries as also on the future of the Satyagraha movement, it is understood will form the basis of talks between the Congress leaders who are now in Bombay. On both these questions, Mr. Satyamurti and Mahatma Gandhi seem to hold divergent views.

Will regard to the attendance of Congress members at the Delhi session of the Central Assembly, it has been decided for the present, that Congress members should attend on the opening day so as to enable them to retain their seats. Whether they should continue their attendance during the rest of the session will be decided later by Babu Rajendra Prasad and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Mr. Satyamurti had talks in the morning with Mr. K. M. Munshi. He will meet Mr. C. B. Mehta and Mr. Manu Subedar later in the day.

PRAKASAM FOR WARDHA

MADR. Oct. 13.

Mr. T. Prakasam former Revenue Minister and President of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee who was recently released from the Trichy Jail is leaving for Wardha on October 16 to meet Mahatma Gandhi. In reply to a telegram he had sent to Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Prakasam to-day received a reply from Gandhiji asking him to proceed to Wardha on October 17.

Mr. Prakasam told the "United Press" that he would put forth his views on the present situation to Gandhiji and discuss the same with him and also take Gandhiji's advice with regard to his future programme.

On his way back from Wardha Mr. Prakasam will undertake a tour of several Andhra districts.—United Press.

Prakasam On Britain's Straight & Open Course

MADRAS, Oct. 13.

Until the act empowering the British to override the ministers was repealed and the ministries were restored to their own rightful positions, they could not do anything so far as office-acceptance was concerned, declared Mr T. Prakasam, ex-Minister, addressing a public meeting last night in celebration of Gandhi Jayanti at Nungambakkam a suburb of Madras.

The only straight and open course to Britain to-day, said Mr. Prakasam, was to tell the people of this country to govern themselves in their own way, pointing out that there was mutual danger to both India and Britain arising out of the war. At least now, when it was not too late, he hoped the British would correct themselves and concede the right of the people, letting them decide their future in the way they deemed best.—A. P.

TWO CONGRESSMEN TO OFFER SATYAGRAHA TO-DAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Ramnikrai Doulatram Joshi and Mr. Parappa Malappa Bijargi, Congressmen of Bombay, sent intimation to the Commissioner of Police to-day of their intention to offer Satyagraha at Kalbadevi Road and Ghorapdeo maidan respectively on Tuesday evening.

Dr. Paruleker Released

POONA, Oct. 13.

Dr. Parulekar from Basscin, who was undergoing imprisonment in the Yeravda Central Jail, was released this evening on grounds of health.

Dr. Parulekar had been sentenced to eight months imprisonment on March 10 in connection with Satyagraha.—A. P.

Mr. S. Satyamurti (seated on the dais with khadi cap on) addressing a gathering of South Indians on "Indian Culture" at the South Indian Education Society's School, Matunga, on Sunday.

Extend Struggle To Parliamentary Front

Back To Power, But No Calling Off Of Satyagraha

"Back to office and in the Legislatures", "Carry the struggle to the Parliamentary Front"—these familiar solgans headlined Mr. S. Saytyamurti's talk to the city journalists at the premises of the Journalists' Club on Monday evening.

HE HAS COURAGE OF HIS CONVICTIONS

The meeting was largely attended. Mr. S. A. Brelvi who presided in introducing Mr. Satyamurti said that he was among the few men in the public life of the country who always mainted friendly and close relations with the press. They might not always agree with him in his views, but there was no doubt that Mr. Satyamurti was a man who had the courage of his convictions

SATYAMURTI EXPLAINS

Mr. Satyamurti prefaced his talk with the recognition of the importance and power of the press in the life of a nation. He, therefore, wanted that his views should be clearly stated and understood. He was supposed to be advocating a change in the Congress programme, indeed he was. But it should not be understood that he was revolting against it." I am now 54 and half of that period I have spent in the service of the Congress. I would much rather commit suicide than revolt against the Congress", he said. What he sought to do was to convert the Congress to his point of view and he hoped to succeed in his efforts. He, however, wanted it to be clearly understood that what he advocated did not weaken the present struggle of the Congress, but was calculated to strengthen it. The British Government as it stood to-day, neither deserved their support nor could it hope to get it.

LET WORLD HEAR INDIA

Mr. Satyamurti then referred to Mr. Churchill's declaration that the Atlantic Charter was not applicable to it and to Mr. Amery's commentary on the declaration. "A female ancestor of Mr. Churchill wanted to keep the Atlantic out of her door; but Mr. Churchill cannot keep the Atlantic Charter out of the reach of India", he remarked. Mr. Satyamurti wanted that the voice of India should be raised within the legislatures and thus broadcast so that the world outside might hear that voice of protest. "I attach great importance to parliamentary activity

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Prince Konoye Sees Emperor

TOKYO, Oct 13.

The Japanese Prime Minister, Prince Konoye, was received in audience by the Emperor this afternoon and made a report to the throne.

It is reported that Mr. Teiichi Tsubokami who was appointed the first Japanese Ambassador to Thailand on September 4 had decided to return to Japan to make a detailed report to the Government on conditions in Thailand.—Reuter.

Darlan In Paris

VICHY, Oct. 13.

Admiral Darlan, Vichy Vice-Premier, arrived in Paris on Sunday night from Vichy, according to the Vichy News Agency.—Reuter.

BERLIN DENIES PEACE FEELER STORIES

In Spite Of Fourth Big Offensive And Gigantic Operations Nazis Are Still Far From Moscow

BERLIN, Oct. 13.

The Wilhelmstrasse emphatically denied "rumours being spread abroad of alleged German peace feelers", states the Official German News Agency.

"Operations on the eastern front are proceeding according to plan' states to-day's German High Command 'communique', adding: "Eleven hundred prisoners and 33 guns fell into our hands in the pursuit of remnants of the enemy who escaped in the battle of the sea of Azov and a Soviet group has been overtaken and destroyed"

A special announcement from Hitler's headquarters claims that prisoners taken in the battle of Briansk and Vyazma now number over 350,000.

Gigantic Operations

LONDON:—"Annalist" in a military commentary says:—

The great German offensive against Moscow was launched on October 1. Two days later Hitler told the world that new operations "on a gigantic scale" had been in progress for 48 hours They were to have a decisive result upon the war on the eastern front. Five days later the German High Command announced that in the Vyazma sector alone several Russian armies were encircled and approaching their inevitable annihilation.

To-day, the thirteenth day of the offensive, the Russians are still fighting at Vyazma and although they have admittedly evacuated Briansk and Orel, nowhere have the Germans succeeded in approaching within 150 kilometres of Moscow. Heavy fighting is still proceeding, but there has been a decided falling off in the rate of the German progress.

It is too early to say, however, that the offensive is petering out. What is obvious, however, from the record of facts above is that the claims of the German High Command have again proved to be grotesquely exaggerated, especially when read in conjunction with the background of the German semi-official statements.

RUSSIA WRITTEN OFF SLATE!

According to Dr Dietritch, Head of the German Foreign Office News Services who had just flown to Berlin from the Fuehrer's headquarters and thus had the very latest reliable news, the number of the Russian armies encircled was no less than seventy. He announced not only that Marshal Timoshenko's forces had "practically" ceased to exist, but added that both Marshal Voroshilov and Marshal Budenny were out of the picture. Russia could be written off the slate as no longer constituting a military power

The Russians have not bragged or belittled the onslaught of their enemy Their "communiques" have been almost aggravatingly laconic. "Stubborn fighting all along the line". "Orel abandoned" and "Briansk evacuated" These are the barest facts but there is no attempt to mislead Even the Germans have grudgingly had to confirm the stubbornness of the Russian resistance.

FOURTH BIG THRUST

This is the fourth big German thrust In spite of the appeal Hitler made to his troops, it is doubtful whether it can be as prolonged as its predecessors although its initial intensity may have been greater But German tanks operating at such distance from their bases must require more frequent attention after a continuous spell of fighting and the German soldiers too must be showing signs of flagging. The boastful announcements of the German propaganda services may help to stimulate morale at home, hundreds of miles from the front, but the soldier can see for himself that annihilation of the Russian armies is a herculean task.

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Indian Muslims Sick Of Communal Deadlock

ASAF ALI ON NEED FOR FRESH APPROACH

War Developments Brighten United Front Prospects

Mr. Asaf Ali, Member of Congress Working Committee, in the course of a talk to city journalists, at the residence of Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai, on Monday, said that from the observations he had made during his tour after his release, he could "safely assert that a psychological moment is fast developing in the minds of a large section of Indian Muslims who are now waiting to see a bridge built over the unnatural communal gulf".

Mr. Asaf Ali added that it was now upto all leaders of independent thought in India to turn his psychological moment to the best account and to devise a fresh approach to the communal question.

He undoubtedly visualised a united front.

The present trend of opinion with regard to the international and internal situation was explained by Mr. Asaf Ali, after his tour for the past one week when he saw Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and also got into touch with leading men of different organisations in this country.

"I personally feel" he observed, "that the minds of Muslims in India to-day, at any rate of a very large section of them, are greatly excercised over the international and the internal situation. When I prefer to the international situation, I mean the misfortunes that have overtaken, for one reason or another, the near and the Middle East. It is becoming increasingly clearer to Indian Muslims that even apart from the situation created by the World War, the independence of Muslim countries, from the shores of the Atlantic to the confines of China, has become an extremely precarious one. The Indian Muslims are, therefore, naturally feeling very greatly perturbed over the likely developments in the neighbouring Muslim countries.

"In so far as the internal situation is concerned, it is perfectly obvious that the so-called communal deadlock is certainly operating to the disadvantage of every one concerned. Wherever I have gone, I have found a keen realisation of this fact among Muslims. I think I can safely assert that a psychological movement is fast developing in the minds of a large section of Indian Muslims who are now anxiously waiting to see a bridge built over the unnatural communal gulf. It is now upto all leaders of independent thought in India to turn this psychological moment to the best account and devise a fresh approach to the communal question. I undoubtedly visualise a united front.

"The Congress has never relaxed its efforts at communal unity and if the situation demands acceleration of these activities in this direction, I have not the slightest doubt, that the Congress will take every conceivable step to achieve the desired aim."

BHULABHAI ENTERS 65TH YEAR

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai member of the Congress Working Committee and Leader of the Opposition in the Central Legislative Assembly, has been the recipient of numerous messages of congratulations from all parts of the country on the occasion of his birthday which fell on Monday. Mr. Desai completed his 64th year. Prominent citizens including several Congressmen called at his place personally to greet him. He is making satisfactory progress in his health and is eagerly looking forward to the day when he could undertake the journey to Sevagram to meet Mahatma Gandhi

NO TURNING BACK FOR U. S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.

"The United States cannot turn and walk away from the steadily mounting danger" of the Nazi military campaign of "world conquest", declared Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, urging on Congress prompt revision of the Neutrality Act to permit the arming of merchantmen.

Testifying as the first witness before the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee on the proposed repeal of the ban on the arming of merchantmen, Mr. Hull said that Germany "is to-day and has been throughout the course of this war sinking defenceless vessels" of this and other countries "either without warning or without making provision for the safety of their crews."

TO ENTER COMBAT ZONES

Mr. Hull said that he personally favoured "repeal or modification" also of the section prohibiting United States merchantmen entering combat zones.

Mr. Hull said that Hitler "was seeking desperately the control of the high seas". He said that even when the arming ban was enacted there never had been "any thought" of the United States abandoning its full rights of self-defence in the event of any threat to the American continent.

DALLAS (Texas):—A Neutrality Act amendment authorising the arming of United States merchantmen would be passed by Congress by November 1, said Senator Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in an interview.

He added that he would then introduce another amendment removing the ban on American merchantmen sailing wherever they pleased

He predicted that this amendment would result in a debate lasting a month with some "filibustering" and would not be passed until the middle of December —Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Nineteen Nazi Fighters Destroyed

LONDON, Oct. 13.

Nineteen enemy fighters were destroyed by British fighters in many combats during the operations of Blenheim Bombers escorted by fighters which attacked objectives in Northern France this afternoon, says an Air Ministry Communique One British bomber and twelve fighters are missing but the pilots of two fighters are safe. Chemical works and power-stations at Mazingarbe near Bethune were bombed and hits were observed on cooling towers of the chemical works.—Reuter.

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W. R. MAUNDER,
Chief Engineer,
B.B. & C.I. Railway Company.
Bombay, 8th October, 1941.
(6259)

NOTICE

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the LOSS of the POLICY numbered 675521 on the life of Motilal Mathurbhai Patel of Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company, Limited. Duplicate Policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us, within one month from this date.

Bombay. Dated 26th August, 1941.

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(6919).

NOTICE

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B. P. GHARDA,
Liquidator.
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NOTICE.

THE GENERAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY, LTD.,
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NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy No. 41331 on the life of Mr. Bhagubhai Vadilal Shah, Share Dalal, c|o Manilal Gokaldas, Manek Choke, Ahmedabad, a duplicate copy of the said Policy will be issued if no objection is received by us within one month from this date.

General Manager.
(6286)

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A. C. SAHGAL,
Principal.
Kala-Bhavan Technical Institute
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H. H. MISTRY,
Ag. Secretary.
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(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December, 1940.
(2) To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election.
(3) To appoint Auditors and Solicitors for the year 1941, and to fix their remuneration.
(4) To transact any other business that the Chairman may bring before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. V. JOSHI,
Chairman.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd October, 1941, to THURSDAY, the 6th November, 1941, both days inclusive.
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123, Esplanade Road, Fort,
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High Court

GOVT.'S APPEAL FAILS

Is Compound Wall Of Wooden Planks A "Building"?

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Broomfield and Mr. Justice Wassoodew.)

Government of Bombay—Appellants.
v
Vora Hasanbhai K. Vinawala—Opponent (Original Accused.)

The Opponent was the owner of two houses in Nadiad, adjacent to which was an open land declared to be a private street in the Survey inquiry in 1924. He applied on 23rd April 1940 to the Chief Officer, Nadiad Municipality for permission to build on this open land but it was refused. On 25th July 1940, the Opponent constructed without the permission of the Municipality, a compound wall of wooden planks on either side of the land in question. He was therefore prosecuted by the Municipality under Section 123 (7) of the Bombay Municipal Boroughs Act but acquitted by the Honorary Second Class Magistrate, Nadiad. Aggrieved by this acquittal, the Government of Bombay appealed to the High Court on the ground that the Magistrate was wrong in holding that a construction of wooden planks would not be a "building" within the meaning of the Municipal Boroughs Act. The Appellants contended that the word "building" included a compound wall and that the compound wall might be of any material and need not be something permanent in nature.

Their Lordships dismissed the Government's appeal.

The Assistant Government Pleader, Mr. B. G. Rao, appeared for the Appellants.

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar with Mr. K. T. Pathak appeared for the Opponent

Indian Trade Commissioner For Canada Sails

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13.

The newly created post of Indian Government Trade Commissioner in Canada, says a press communique, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. M. R. Ahuja, who was Indian Government Trade Commissioner in Milan until the closing of that office on the outbreak of the war. Mr. Ahuja has sailed from Bombay "en route" to Canada to take up the post.

His Headquarters will be at Toronto and he is expected to open his office by the end of this month. Pending its formal opening, Mr. Ahuja's address will be care of the Post Master, General Post Office, Toronto, Canada.—A. P.

Muslim Students' Federation

BOMBAY, Oct 13.

The next session of the All-India Muslim Students' Federation will be held at Nagpur on December 25, 26 and 27. Mr M A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, will preside over the session.

Mr. Mohammad Noman, Deputy President of the All-India Muslim Students' Federation, who had an interview with Mr. Jinnah this morning, has issued an appeal to the Muslim students all over India asking them to join the session in large numbers as important decisions are to be taken on that occasion

Mr. Jinnah's birthday will also be celebrated on the occasion and prayers held for his long and happy life.—

Elocution Competition In Hindustani

The annual Hindustani Elocution Competition, under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, was held at Jinnah Hall on Sunday evening.

Mr. Ajit G. Desai presided.

More than 10 boys and girls whose mother-tongue was to other than Hindustani took part in the Competition and spoke on different subjects.

Kumari Usha Mehta who spoke on "Karachi Congress Charter is a sufficient and effective Charter for the safeguard of the minorities," was awarded the first prize, Messrs. Harihar Sukla and Ramkrishna Chowdhary got the second and third prizes, respectively.

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To-day

Hindu: Aswin Vad 9, 1997
Muslim: Ramzan 22, 1360
Parsi: Ardibehest 10, 1311
Sunrise: 6h. 32m.
Sunset: 6h. 18m.
Hightide: 5-40, 17-41
Lowtide: 12-18, 27-59

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: A lecture by Shreemati Rukhmani Devi on "Indian Arts and Culture" has been arranged at the Princess Victoria Mary Gymkhana, to-day (Tuesday) at 5 p.m.

GUMASTA MAHA MANDAL: A meeting of the members of the Executive Committee of the Gumasta Maha Mandal will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 10 p.m. at the Socialist Hall (Mantri House).

BHATIA HIGH SCHOOL SILVER JUBILEE: A programme of dramatisation, dialogues, and prize distribution has been arranged to be held at the Bhangwadi Theatre to-day (Tuesday) at 3 p.m. Sheth Karsondas Sunderdas Dharamsey will preside.

A.R.P. REFRESHER COURSE FOR WARDENS: Lecture on "How to Handle Fires" by Mr. H. F. A. North, to-day (Tuesday) at 6-15 p.m. in the Conference Room, Electric House, Fort.

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when Mr. B. T. Anklesaria, will give an exposition in Gujarati of the Vahishta Ishti Gatha (Yasna Ha 53), strophe 8.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Members and their guests are invited to a meeting of the Group at Green's to-day (Tuesday) at 6-30 p.m. when Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A. will speak on "The New World".

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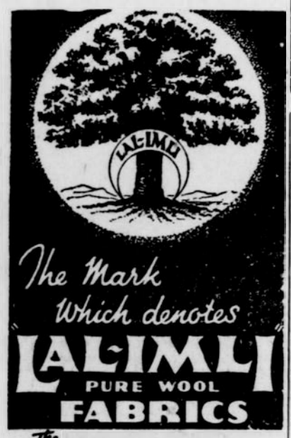

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"The Hunchback of Notre Dame" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Man Hunt" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Love Crazy" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Sailors Three" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"You Can't Take It With You." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bandhan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m
PAIHE—"Kasauti" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Anjan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Kanchan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Sant Sakhu" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m
EDWARD—"Hindustan Hamara" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
HINDMATA—"Bambaiwali" Daily at 4-30 7 and 10 p.m
CHITRA—"Pardesi" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"The Birth of A Baby" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Hudson's Bay" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

Bombay Municipality

MOVE FOR ANOTHER YEAR OF EXTENSION

The Municipal Commissioner contemplates representing to the Government to extend the life of the Bombay Municipal Corporation by one year more. (Already the Municipal Corporation has been given an extension of one year which will expire in January 1943.)

Since the final figures of the Census owing to position of different Wards are not ready and the limits of the Wards are not finally determined, it is proposed to get one more year's extension and to hold the next elections in January 1944.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME AT NEW EMPIRE: There will be a change of programme at the New Empire from to-day, when Frank Capra's masterpiece "You Can't Take It With You" will replace "They Dare Not Love." This is undoubtedly one of the screen's greatest offerings, one which everybody should love to see again.

KARNATAK STUDY CIRCLE: Mr. H. B. Kulkarni, Lecturer in English, Sir Parashuram Bhau College, Poona, will give a talk on "Life and Literature" in Kannada in Govindashram, Lady Jamshedji Road, Dadar, to-day (Tuesday) at 9 p.m.

BOMBAY SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: The adjourned meeting of the Schools Committee, originally held on 8-10-1941, and since adjourned will be held at the Corporation Hall, on Wednesday, the 15th October, 1941, at 4 p.m. (B.T.), to consider the undisposed of business of the meeting.

SOUTH INDIAN ADI-DRAVIDA MAHAJANA SANGHAM: The second anniversary celebration of the above Sangham will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 4-30 p.m. at the Ganpat Temple Maidan, Dharavi under the presidentship of Mr. E. U. Ramasamy Periar, Leader of the Justice Party, when Sir S. Muthaiah Mudaliar, P. Balasubramoniam (Editor of the "Sunday Observer") and A. K. Pillai will address the gathering.

LECTURES ON "PERFECT EYESIGHT WITHOUT GLASSES"

The system of perfect eyesight without glasses is claimed as a scientific method. It is founded by Dr. Bates of America. In India Dr. R. S. Agarwal, eye-especialists of Delhi, has been preaching and practising eye cure on the lines of Dr. Bates system. Dr. Agarwal intends to visit Bombay on his way to Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Pondicherry, from 12th Nov. to 17th Nov. 1941.

INSTITUTE OF OCCULT SCIENCES: The following office-bearers have been elected in the general meeting:—President: Sheth Mavji Govindji, Vice-President: Dr. (Mrs.) B. Kamalakar, Hon Treasurer: M. K. Joglekar, Hon Secretaries: Messrs H. M. Trivedi and B. N. Ankleshvaria.

KALYAN STUDENTS' CONDEMN ASSAULT ON ATRE: A public meeting was held on Saturday, under the auspices of the Kalyan Students' Union, in the Shivaji Chowk, Kalyan, when a resolution condemning the action of students of the Parshuram Bhow College, Poona, for the brutal assault on Principal Atre.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION: That "Rabindranath Tagore, an Ambassador of Youth" will be the subject of a public lecture by Prof. Gurudayal Malik of Santiniketan in the Muslim Students' Union Hall, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Tuesday) at 6-30 p.m. Prof. (Miss) P. E. Nanavatty will preside.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: At the Ochavlal Nazar Ayurvedic Charitable Dispensary conducted by the Social Service League, Bombay, at Parel, the total number of patients treated during the month of September, 1941, was 934 of which 512 were men, 198 women and 224 children. The daily average attendance of patients was 37.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: The twenty-ninth annual general meeting of the Social Service League, Bombay, will be held on Monday, the 27th October at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the League's Head Office, Servants of India Society's Home, Sandhurst Road, Girgaon.

BILLAWAR ANATHA SANGHA: Under the auspices of the Billawar Association and the Kanara Billawar Anatha Sangha, Bombay, the birthday celebration of their Gurudev, His Holiness Brahma Shree Narayana Paramahansa, was performed on Sunday, in the Gymnasium Hall of Bai Kashibai Hindu High School. Mr. G. B. Jathar, Principal of Elphinstone College, presiding.

SAVARKAR LEAVES FOR BOMBAY

Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha, left Delhi by the Frontier Mail for Bombay on October 13.

MUSLIM MEETING AT MAHIM: A public meeting of Muslims will be held on the second day of Ramzan I'd at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the Durgah at Mahim to consider the accounts for the year ending 1940 of the Durgah of Pir Makhdum Saheb.

KONKANI DRAMA: The former actors of the "Lourdes Union" Mangalore, will stage "Christ's Religion is True" a Konsani drama at Antonio DeSouza's School Hall, Byculla, Bombay on Sunday, October 19 at 6-30 p.m (S.T.).

Sikar Political Conference

SIKAR, October 11.

A meeting of the prominent citizens of Sikar, held in the office of the District Prajamandal Committee, has decided 8th and 9th November, 1941, as the dates for holding the First Sikar Political Conference. Village Industries including Khadi Exhibition is also arranged with it. Seth Jamnalalji Bajaj and other prominent leaders have been invited on the occasion.

TWO WOMEN KNOCKED DOWN BY RUNNING TRAIN

BOMBAY, Monday.

Two unidentified women were knocked down and killed by a fast down train near Matunga Station, on Saturday night.

They came out of the lavatory and were trying to run across the track to catch an Up local train, when they were run over and badly mutilated.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded to-day.

CHARGED WITH KEEPING ILLICIT LIQUOR

Yeshawant Rama Nagvekar was arrested at 2-20 a.m. on Sunday at Balaram Dhuru Wadi, Prabhadevi Road, for alleged possession of 16 gallons of illicit liquor.

He was allowed bail by Mr. G. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon.

ON THE AIR

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 Prem ki Chhaya. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 to 8-35 Mr. H. R. Stevenson's talk on "Atlantic Charter" 4th in the series. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 "International Economic Collaboration." 9-20 H. Khan Mastana. 9-30 P Taranath. 9-45 Sundera Bai. 12-30 p.m.- Sindh Board Waves. 12-45 Marathi music. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Gujarati Geets. 1-15 Ghazals. 1-50 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 P. Taranath 5-25 H. Khan Mastana. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Leela Joshi. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Mira Bai Bhajan. 6-20 Local news and announcements in English. 6-25 Same in Hindustani. 6-30 Children's half hour in Gujarati. 7 Economic topic of the month: talk in Marathi. 7-15 Leela Joshi. 7-25 Sundera Bai. 7-35 Songs from 'Susral.' 7-45 H. Khan Mastana. 7-55 News commentary. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Digging into the Past" 3: Talk by Dr. V. G. Vyas. 8-45 "International Economic Collaboration" by K. M. Ahmad. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening Post: Examination of points in German propaganda. 10 A I R Nonette. 10-25 Polish songs by A. Olszanska. 10-35 Harry Potter: Entertainer.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7.240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Abhangs 8-15 Flute recital. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Hamid Husain: Hamidi. 9 A I R Chorus Party. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5 to 5-40 As in Bombay 1. 5-40 Instrumental duets. 5-50 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Sundera Bai. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

51.48 metres (4.880 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 Bai Gangu Bai. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 A I R Orchestra. 9-10 Sundera Bai. 9-20 H. Khan Mastana. 9-40 P. Taranath. 9-55 Akbar's Birthday: Feature in Gujarati. 10-15 Gangu Bai.

AKBAR ANNIVERSARY FEATURE: Today (Tuesday) is the birth anniversary of Akbar. At the time of his birth, Humayun, his father, and a renowned astrologer, had predicted a great future for his son, and to celebrate his forthcoming fame, distributed gifts among his subjects. In a Gujerati playlet, to be broadcast to-day, at 9-55 p.m. on 61.48 metres only, Humayun will feature in a discussion on the future of his son and heir with his friends.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian troops in the Far East. 5 Bhajans. 5-15 Zohra Nazneen. 5-25 Master Madan. 5-40 Zeenat Begam. 6-15 M. Siddiq. 6-30 Dilip Chandra Vedi. 6-50 Patdeep on Jaltarang. 7 Bhajans. 7-15 Jawab Men. 7-30 For Villagers only. 8-15 Bhajan Lal and Manorhar Lal: Duet. 8-30 "Defence Services Exhibition Train" by Maj. W G. Hingston. 8-45 Zeenat Begam. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 It has happened, or Rageshwari on Sarangi. 9-50 Master Madan. 10 Bhajans. 10-15 Dilip Chandra Vedi. 10-35 Delhi Radio Orchestra.

STORY OF SYRIAN CAMPAIGN

Maj. Middleton-Stewart's Narration At C. J. Hall

BOMBAY, Monday.

In a public lecture in the Cawasji Jehangir Hall this evening Maj. Middleton-Stewart narrated his experiences during the recent allied occupation of Syria.

He told his audience how he went from Derra in the South with one of the three columns, on the triple entry into Syria, how they marched northward capturing Sheikh Misken, then Ezra, then Kisone and Qutane, then Benida and Qadem, till in the end they arrived at Damascus. The Major also related his personal experiences as a prisoner, and during his stay in a hospital.

In reply to a question by Mr. B. E. Bharucha, the lecturer said even in the thick of the battle Indian soldiers had proved that their nerves were strong and throughout the whole campaign in Syria their discipline was splendid.

Sir Chimanlai Setalvad who presided regretted that India did not realise the implications of the war in Europe, and the imminent danger to which the country was exposed. If Hitler beats Russia said the speaker, India would be in danger immediately. He further regretted the failure of England to encourage Indian industries, which, in his opinion, might have enabled India to challenge Hitler. However he advised Indians to help Britain in the present war in their own interest.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

The Employees of the "Times of India" held their annual thanksgiving mass on Sunday at the chapel of Our Lady of Mount, Bandra Hill. Rev. Fr. W. D'Souza said the mass assisted by Rev. Fr. Cordo and Rev. Fr. Laita. A choir composed of members of the staff of the "Times of India," directed by Mr. N. Mascarenhas sang during the mass. Rev. Fr. A. M. Laita, S.J., preached a very impressive sermon on the love for the Blessed Virgin Mary.

After mass, a general meeting followed by a social was held in the Mount Mary's Convent Hall. Rev. Fr. Laita, S.J., was in the chair. The proceedings and accounts for the past year were read by the Secretary and adopted.

Mr. N. Mascarenhas was elected President and Mr. Braz Miranda was elected Secretary for the coming year. The election of a fresh committee were left at the discretion of the President and Secretary.

The President's speech was followed by a social, when three toasts were taken. The toast of Messrs. Bennett Coleman and Company was taken by Mr. Nicholas D'Souza, the toast of the Subscribers and the Managing Committee by Mr. Peter Rana and Mr. N. Mascarenhas took the toast of His Majesty the King-Emperor.

The social was attended by over hundred members and proved very entertaining and enjoyable. Several individuals gave song items in English and Konkanim.

ANDHERI BUS SERVICE

Of late, I have received several complaints from residents from Marol and Versova regarding the irregularity of the present buses running from Andheri Railway Station to Versova and Marol.

Long intervals of waiting is the regular complaint. A correspondent from Versova states that the buses at this place do not start until they are full with the result that they have to wait at times for over three-quarters of an hour and miss trains.

Bombay War Gifts Fund

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 69,28,005-6-5.

For the R.A.F.: Rs. 282 the members of the staff of the Bombay Telephone Co., Ltd. (monthly); Rs. 66-10-0 the Paper Company Van Reekum (Bombay) Ltd. (monthly).

Grand total as on October 13: Rs. 69,28,573-6-5.

"INDIAN NATUROPATH'S" APRIL ISSUE BANNED

LAHORE, Oct. 13.

The Punjab Government have proscribed under the Press Act all copies of the April issue of the "Indian Naturopath" edited by Dr Venkataramayya, General Secretary of the Indian Naturopath Association, and all copies or transactions of the article under the caption of "Saving Life" by Mr Elmer Lee, M.D., published in the journal, on the ground that it tends to insult the religious beliefs of Muslims.—United Press.

Diploma In Military Studies In Bombay University?

"Army Authorities Not In A Position To Co-operate": Vice-Chancellor Explains Cause Of Delay

Mr. R. P. Masani, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay has issued the following statement:

As some misapprehension prevails concerning the reasons for the delay in giving effect to the scheme formulated by the University of Bombay for instituting a Diploma of Military Studies and the establishment of a Department of Military Studies to give instruction in the proposed course for the Diploma, it is necessary to point out that the delay is due not to lack of diligence on the part of the University Authorities concerned or of sympathy on the part of the Army Authorities or of His Excellency the Chancellor, but to the exigencies of the present times.

In preparing the scheme, members of the University bodies entrusted with the work received every encouragement from the Chancellor and the individual Army officers whom they consulted. Soon after the statute passed by the Senate for granting a Diploma in Military Studies was submitted to His Excellency the Chancellor for sanction, a letter was sent to the Government of Bombay requesting that the Government of India might be moved to authorize the Army Authorities in Poona to give to the University such advice and help as was possible in connexion with the organization of the Department and the practical training of students.

Bombay Govt.'s Reply

With reference to that request, it was pointed out by the Secretary to the Government of Bombay in the Educational Department that the Army Authorities were not then in a position to lend their co-operation to the scheme. As every man and weapon available for training purposes was required for instructing Army personnel, they could not spare military instructors for the purpose. It was further pointed out that unless the scheme was correlated to the provision of officers for the Army, there would be no avenue of employment for those taking the proposed course of studies.

It was thereupon represented to His Excellency the Chancellor that it was all along intended that the scheme should be worked in conjunction with the officers of the Army and with their advice and assistance and that it was understood that individual officers had expressed their willingness to give all possible advice and assistance and that it might also be possible to obtain the services of a retired officer.

CHANCELLOR'S SYMPATHY

Although the war had inevitably increased the difficulties of co operation by the Defence Department so that what was envisaged by individual officers before seemed to be impracticable, His Excellency the Chancellor, who has every sympathy with the project readily undertook to forward the scheme to the authorities with a view to obtaining their views as to the best way in which effect could be given to the proposals of the University. A reply to that reference is awaited.

Damodar Flood Havoc

Hundred Square Miles Affected: Congress And Official Relief Measures

BURDWAN, Oct. 13.

A large number of villages under the police stations of Rayna, Jamalpur and Khandakosh, covering about a hundred square miles, are stated to have been seriously affected by the flood, according to reports received here to-day from Trans-Damodar area. Many mud huts in these villages have been destroyed and granaries and hay-stacks washed away. There has also been extensive damage to standing paddy crop and many head of cattle are reported to have been lost.

The District Magistrate has deputed six officers to the area providing them with money for urgent relief. The officers will submit immediate reports regarding the kind and amount of relief required. The District Magistrate, accompanied by the Sub-Divisional Officer and Rai Bahadur Harakali Pan, Vice-Chairman of the District Board, has proceeded to Jamalpur to inspect the area affected by the breach on the left embankment of Damodar, near Kumarhatty, five miles east of Burdwan town.

Reports received from Bankura at the office of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee show that a vast area comprising the police stations of Sonamukhi, Patrasayer and Indus have been seriously affected by the flood caused by a breach in the Damodar embankment.

CONGRESS HELP

Mr. Kamal Krishna Roy, M.L.A., who is in charge of the Bankura District Congress Committee, has left for the affected area with a band of Congress workers and Mrs. Labanya Prabha Dutta, President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, has sent a sum of Rs. 100 to Mr. Roy for immediate relief to the distressed people.

According to reports received by the All-India Village Industries Association in Calcutta, the flood is stated to have affected over thirty villages in the Hooghly district as well. Mud huts in the villages have been destroyed and all belongings of the villagers, including rice and food stuff have been washed away by the current of the flood water. Most of the villagers are now living on the embankment of the Damodar.—A. P.

Flood Havoc In Upper Burma

RANGOON, Oct. 12.

Many hundred acres of paddy have been destroyed as a result of floods in upper Burma, according to a report received in Rangoon. There have been breaches on the trunk road between Rangoon and Mandalay. No loss of life is reported.—A. P.

Czechoslovaks In India Welcome Duff Cooper

CALCUTTA, Oct. 13.

On the arrival of Mr. Duff Cooper in India, the Czechoslovak community in Batanagar welcomed him with the following message:—

"The small community of Czechoslovaks at Batanagar are taking this opportunity to welcome you here in India and wish you full success in your Far East mission. We all admire you for your action after Munich and your sympathy towards our country and assure you that we, the Czechoslovaks in India, should do all in our means and power to support the common cause—the destruction of Nazi tyranny—and to rebuild a free Czechoslovakia in a free Europe."

Mr. Duff Cooper has sent the following reply to the Czechs:—"Thank you for kind message. We all deeply appreciate the great contribution to the common cause made by the heroic people of Czechoslovakia".—A. P.

COMMUNAL BROTHERHOOD

Rizvi Pleads For Social Organisation Of Hindu And Muslim Leaders

CAWNPORE, Oct. 13.

Suggestions which would tend to establish harmonious relations between Hindus and Muslims were discussed at a social dinner given last evening by Mr. Mathura Prasad Bajpai, a member of the Hindustani Biradari.

Prof. I. H. Rizvi of the Rajendra College, Patna, speaking on the occasion pointed out that communal electorates and communal movements were mainly responsible for communal bitterness. He suggested the setting up of a social organisation consisting of influential Hindu and Muslim leaders, who should unitedly endeavour to avoid communal clashes by their influence whenever there were strained feelings and who should also try to establish social contacts between the two communities during normal days. This, he thought, would go a long way in creating cordial relations between Hindus and Muslims.

Mr. Mathura Prasad Bajpai at the outset explained the aims and objects of the Hindustani 'biradari' which he stated has been making efforts to establish communal harmony by social contacts and other means.

The function was attended by Hindus and Muslims of the city.—A. P.

Plea For Hindi University

INDORE, October 13

The first session of the Central India Hindi Sahitya Sammelan was opened to-day by Sir Seth Hukumchand at Mhow.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Messrs. Jamnalal Bajaj, Kanhayalal Munshi, and Amarnath Jha, Vice-Chancellor of the Allahabad University and Col. Dinanath, Prime Minister of Indore, have sent good wishes to the Sammelan.

Pandit Surajnarain Vyas presiding declared that Malwa was the birth place of Prakrit Language, mother of Hindi and appealed to the princes and rich men there to use their wealth for spreading Hindi education to every village.

Resolutions were passed by the Central India Hindi Sahitya Sammelan requesting the Central India princes and people to establish a Hindi University, congratulating those princes who have declared Hindi as their court language, and requesting other states to take similar steps.

The Sammelan strongly condemned the language used by the All-India Radio and advised suitable improvements.—A.P.

Broach Municipal School Board

(From Our Correspondent)

BROACH, October 11

The following persons have been elected as members of the School Board of the Broach Municipality:—

(1) Mr. Surendraia Aliana, (2) Mr. Ahmed Chokshi, (3) Mr. Ahmed Bala, (4) Mr. Rangwala, (5) Mr. Limjibhai, (6) Mrs. Khorshedbanu Homawala, (7) Mr. Manilal Shah, (8) Mr. Manilal Gundaria, (9) Mr. Chandulal Sheth, (10) Mr. Pitambardas, (11) Mr. Pranjivandas, and (12) Mr. Nathubhai Dangarwala.

Parle-Andheri Municipality

Before the general meeting of 'Parle-Andheri Municipality held on Sunday, the 12th instant, six important resolutions embodying the contents of the Government's circulars demanding all help in A.R.P. came for consideration.

All these resolutions were put to vote and despite strong opposition from the progressive group and the Muslim Leaguers, they were thrown out by the combined votes of the Congress party and some independent members.

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"A RAILWAY OF FANTASY"

Press Despatch On Proposed Burma-Yunnan Line

RANGOON, October 12

"It is almost a railway of fantasy in view of the engineering difficulties to be surmounted and the great mountains, deep malaria-ridden alleys and wide tumultuous rivers, to be climbed, penetrated or crossed," says a special correspondent in a dispatch on the proposed Burma-Yunnan Railway.

Yet it will fulfil a vital task in providing China with a second western supply artery —one that may increase the flow and speed the transit of "lease and lend" supplies. Also it will fulfil an old dream of China's —of a rail outlet to reduce travel time from Central China to India, the Middle East and Europe, the correspondent adds.

Again the railroad will open up country even wilder and less known than that traversed and being opened up by the Burma Road further to the north.—A.P.

BOMBERS OVER SIMLA

SIMLA, Oct. 13.

Two bombers flew over Simla for about 15 minutes at 10 a.m. this morning. Though barely 700 feet overhead, heavy banks of clouds hid them from view, for most of the time and people below could only hear their roar.—A. P.

"CORRESPONDENTS" MISTAKEN FOR "FIFTH COLUMNISTS"

LAHORE, Oct. 13.

"Special war correspondents" who have been deputed to report the North-West India air defence exercises have had to meet with many an awkward situation in different sectors of the "front".

While proceeding in a car to watch the operations on a semi-military centre "somewhere in the Punjab" they were stopped by military and police pickets at various strategic points on the Grand Trunk Road, traffic on which was jammed at some places and were subjected to searching enquiries in regard to their 'bona fides'.

The "correspondents" tried to argue with the pickets stressing that they were going to the "front" on a special mission, but the latter suspecting them to be "fifth columnists" tightened their cordon around them.

Eventually the correspondents wriggled out of a seemingly perilous situation by showing their identity cards.—A. P.

It is understood that Dr. K. N. Ray of Calcutta will preside over the forthcoming session of the All-India Medical Conference to be held in December.

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INDIANS IN SOUTH AFRICA

The report of the Broome Commission appointed last year by the South African Government to investigate into the alleged penetration of Indians in Natal and Transvaal, which has just been published, substantially supports the position taken up by Indians in these areas. The Commission was appointed as a sequel to the stout opposition of Indians to the series of anti-Indian measures of the Union Government culminating in the Asiatic (Transvaal) Land and Trading Bill passed by the South African Parliament in June 1939, imposing fresh severe restrictions on Indians' trade and residence. The readiness of the Indians to start passive resistance and the advent of war prevented the immediate enforcement of the Bill. The Broome Commission was also appointed to examine fully the alleged penetration of Indians in Transvaal and Natal. The Commission was welcomed by Indians but the Minister for Interior, Mr. Lawrence, held out the threat that "if a certain section of the Indian community attempts to encourage penetration of the predominantly European areas, the Government will take measures." War conditions and the influence of Field Marshal Smuts have so far helped wiser counsels to prevail, and an undertaking has been given that, whatever may be the findings of the Broome Commission, no legislation would be undertaken during the currency of the war to force segregation on Indians. But the threat of the Minister for Interior does not seem likely to be forgotten after the close of the war.

Commission's Findings

The gist of the Broome Report is that the extent of the penetration in the Transvaal since 1927 is "not alarming or even surprising" and that in Natal "the position does not appear to be serious", if the total number of cases is considered in relation to the Indian population. A certain amount of penetration or residence and trade of Indians in predominantly European areas was inevitable, and Indians have never accepted the principle of statutory segregation or an obligation never to reside in European areas. But the common charge against Indians was that their penetration had gone so far as to be a menace to Europeans and that in some places it had actually led to a European exodus. The Broome report, however, referring to Transvaal, says: "The occupation of 246 trading sites and 93 residential sites in the predominantly European portions of the Transvaal since January 1 1927 does not disclose a situation which can by any stretch of imagination be described as critical". Again, recalling that the Murray Commission found no increase in the years 1932-39 in the number of Asiatic trading licences disproportionate to the total growth of population, the report says that if the comparison were to be extended to cover the years 1927-40 the present Commissioners' conclusion on the evidence would be the same. As regards the story of exodus of Europeans, the report says that the exodus "preceded and so obviously was not caused by Indian entry."

Possible Dangers

While the published extracts of the report are doubtless favourable to the Indians, one does not know yet what reservations, expressed or implied, may lurk in it. Nor can one be sure of the reaction of the Union Government to the report. So long as the war lasts, the official undertaking may be respected that no legislation would force segregation on Indians. But it seems possible that in a variety of ways Indians may be humiliated and harassed and finally driven into a nominally voluntary segregation. It is significant that even now Indian military officers in uniform who are serving the Empire are not admitted to certain public places of entertainment and recreation. Sir B. Ramarao, when he was the Indian Agent-General in South Africa, could not venture to visit any of these places without previous intimation, lest he should be insulted as a coloured man. It, therefore, seems possible that after the war the old anti-Indian campaign will be resumed. It can be effectively prevented only if the resident Indians are well organised and are backed up by a thoroughly National Government in India.

Hitler's Plans

According to the Diplomatic correspondent of a London Sunday paper, Herr Hitler's present plans involve a wide extension of the war both in the West and in the Far East. He is preparing Japan to attack Russia now as Italy did France and thus further cripple Russia. He himself would in the meantime, reduce the Red Army to impotence to enable his own armies to dig in comfortably for the winter. He would then march along with Admiral Darlan through Spain and Portugal to West Africa thus intensifying the Battle of the Atlantic and threatening the British Fleet in Western Mediterranean. All this is quite plausible and even likely. But if the Fuhrer's double-directional plan is based on the anticipation that he will be compelled to "dig in" without "annihilating" the Russian Army and without reaching the Caucasus, then the chances of crippling Russia through Japan are not very strong and those of turning the tables in the west are at best even.

What the British War Cabinet is planning even "informed" Britishers do not know and it is a major question as to why General Auchinleck, fairly favourably situated, has not yet struck at General Rommel. But if winter brings the Germans to a stop in Russia and he moves westwards, the British right in the Middle East flank will be freed from possible danger and then General Auchinleck can strike with all his might at Libya. Indeed, he can use such overwhelming strength as to overrun not only Libya but also Tripolitania in a matter of weeks. And once the British establish a frontier with French Africa, is it not likely that the French, inspired by physical proximity of the British and Free French, may successfully resist Admiral Darlan and General Weygand even to the extent of changing the whole situation in the whole Mediterranean region? But while these considerations are hypothetical and, in any case, belong to the future, there is much force in the demand by a number of Britishers to knock Italy now. Auchinleck's Egyptian army alone is sufficient to beat the Axis in Libya—unless the world has been grievously misformed about the respective strength of the opposing forces.

Akbar's Fourth Centenary

The 14th of October 1941 marks the commencement of the 400th year of the birth of Akbar the Great, and it has been rightly proposed by several Indians to celebrate the whole year till 14th October 1942 as the fourth centenary of this illustrious monarch. The place of Akbar in Indian history is pre-eminent. As an empire-builder and statesman he has few equals in the history of the world, and all Indians are justly proud of him, regardless of creed. How magnificently he tackled and solved the Hindu-Muslim problem in his day is best seen and appreciated in comparison with the doings of the British Government in India to-day. It behoves Indians to celebrate the fourth centenary year in a manner and on a scale worthy of this great prophet of inter-communal unity. We are sure Gandhiji, on whom has fallen the brunt of that still unfinished task, will bless the celebrations. How one wishes he could complete the task in this year of great historic memories!

Russia's Defence Expenditure

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON (By Mail).

The current issue of the Bulletin of International News, published by the Royal Institute of International Affairs, gives interesting statistics, comparing Russian national income and standards of living with those of other countries in recent years.

In 1937, the occupied population of the Soviet Union numbered about 64.1 million, of which some 24 million were urban. Mr. Colin Clarke, the author of "Critique of Russian Statistics", which gives a broad picture of the Russian economy in 1934, has estimated that the average income per head of occupied rural population, including the value of their own agricultural produce consumed by them directly, was equivalent to about £42.5 per year at British prices of 1934. The corresponding average urban income he puts at £122.2, and the general average for the whole occupied population at £72.3. This estimate makes the average real income per head in Russia in 1937 about a third of that in Great Britain, and of the same general order of magnitude as in Poland, Japan and Italy. The whole net national income he estimates at about £4,637 million at British prices of 1934, which would be equivalent to about £5,100 or £5,200 million in 1937, so that the Russian national income according to this estimate was then of just about the same sizes as the British.

Total national income and income per head do not, however, give sufficient material for a just estimate of the Soviet Union's capacity to produce the things needed for modern war. Other factors make it capable of devoting to war purposes a higher proportion of its total output than is the case with other countries where the standard of living is equally low. First among these factors must be placed the highly centralized and officially-controlled economic organization of the country. The other chief factor, partly dependent upon the first, is the great emphasis which has been placed upon industrial development in the last decade. This has resulted in the industrial output (especially the output of heavy industry) per head of the total population being far higher than in most other countries not having far higher standards of living than the U.S.S.R. Mr. Clarke estimates net investment in Russia (a very high proportion of which was in heavy industry) as having been some 14 or 15 per cent of the national income in 1937 a proportion exceeded only in Japan and, perhaps, in the Netherlands.

The result is a very high development, says the writer, for a country where the standard of living is still so low, of the specific industries upon which war production directly depends. In 1934 the chemical and metal-working industries employed close on two million people—about the same number as in Great Britain—and that number has evidently increased very considerably since then, for industrial production apparently rose by about 50 per cent between 1934 and 1937, and by a further proportion not far short of this between 1937 and 1940. (The official index-number of investment goods production, which shows a rise considerably greater than this, suffers from faulty weighting). The steel output of the U.S.S.R., at 18.4 million tons in 1940, was considerably larger than that of the British Empire, and was, indeed, about 60 per cent of that of Greater Germany.

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How far has this large industrial production been devoted to defence? The answer to this question is made difficult by a number of factors. Though expenditure on defence is published, it is difficut either to translate this sum of roubles into sterling, or to estimate the whole Russian national income in roubles, so as to see what proportion defence forms of the whole. The first of these operations is made hard by the absence of reliable price data; the second by the fact that the retail price of Russian consumers' goods is inflated to three or four times cost of production by the sales' tax, and that it is difficult to know, therefore, at what prices to value the large portion of agricultural output which is consumed without ever coming into the market. Mr. Clarke estimated that the £ was equivalent to 35.7 roubles for the purpose of purchasing investment goods in 1934, whereas for the purpose of purchasing industrial goods at retail it was equivalent to 69 roubles, and for the purpose of purchasing food at retail 147 roubles. The best indication of the rise of prices since then is to be found in the course of wage-rates. These apparently rose by about 65 per cent between 1934 and 1937. According to Mr. Clarke's estimate, non-agricultural income per head rose by 43 per cent in this period. This may be taken to be roughly the increase in output per worker. It may, therefore, be estimated that, in those three years, cost prices of industrial goods rose by about 16 per cent. Since British wholesale prices rose by more than this proportion, but wages and retail prices by somewhat less in the same period, no great error will be involved in assuming that in 1934 purchasing power parity between the £ and the rouble persisted till 1937. After that date, even the scanty evidence used above peters out. Russian wages in 1933 were 85 per cent above the 1934 level, and later data are lacking. If, however, it is assumed that the rise of prices, was at about the same rate after 1937 as before, it follows that they were by 1940 about 40 per cent above the 1934 level. British material prices had risen about 55 per cent between 1934 and 1940, and wages by about 22 per cent, so that costs of investment goods probably rose by about the proportion assumed as probable of the corresponding Russian prices. The error in assuming the 1934 purchasing power parity to hold between the rouble and the £ up to the present day for the purpose of comparing Government purchases of armaments is therefore probably not so great as to render the comparison useless.

Making this somewhat risky assumption, one gets the following series of armament expenditures, expressed in sterling at contemporary British prices:—

Russian Defence. Expenditure. (Million £ sterling equivalent.)	
1935	230
1936	415
1937	490
1938	760
1939	1,150
1940	1,600
1941	2,000

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From this it appears that in 1937, 9 or 10 per cent. of the Russian national income, valued at British prices, was devoted to defence. What the proportion was intended to be according to the 1940 estimates cannot, of course, be stated without estimating the 1940 national income at current sterling prices. It appears that the production of industrial goods in 1940 was about 40 per cent. above the 1937 level. Evidence about agricultural production is incomplete, but suggests that the increase in this field has been much smaller. It may be put, for the sake of argument, at 10 per cent. This would make the Russian national income of 1940 equivalent to about £5,900 million at 1934 prices. Revaluing this at 1940 British prices (the consumption to allow for the rise of 32 per cent. in the cost of living and the investment and armaments to allow for the rise of 40 per cent. in the cost of investment goods), we get a value of £7,880 million at current prices for the Russian national income of 1940. The proportion of this which was devoted to defence is therefore about 20 per cent. Allowing for the 15 per cent. per year rise in the money value of the Russian national income which seems to have been the average rate of increase in recent years according to the above calculations and assumptions, the sum assigned for defence in 1941 would have been about 22 per cent of national income. This is roughly the same proportion as was being spent on war and armaments in Japan in 1940.

The margins of error in the above estimates are very big but they are certainly not so big as to invalidate a very clear indication of one of the reasons why the Russian resistance to the German invaders has been so effective. It may be worth presenting the approximate sterling equivalents, at the current prices of the year in question, of German and Russian war expenditure from 1935 to 1940, with the British figure added as a matter of interest.

Approximate Military expenditure (million £ sterling)

Year	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
Germany	520	730	840	1470	2800	5000
U. S. S. R.	230	415	490	760	1150	1600
United Kingdom	122	172	251	391	1141	3220

(These totals are estimates and, therefore, presumably do not include the cost of the Russo-Finnish war).

Russia had spent in the five years ending June, 1941, about £5,200 million on defence. Germany in the five years to September, 1939, had spent about £5,000 million. British cumulative expenditures over a like period, incidentally reached a comparable total about the end of 1940, though some of the material concerned had then been used up. In other words, in so far as the effect of military expenditure is cumulative over a period of five years, Russia should have been able to build up a military machine as large as that with which German began the war. Germany is ahead of her in respect of the material accumulated during hostilities since 1939. So long as Russia can prevent the main part of her war machine from being destroyed, she is, therefore, in a position of by no means hopeless material inferiority. The fact which should be noted by her allies above all others, however, is that her rate of output of new material cannot be much more than a half of that of her adversary, so that the effort of Britain and the Dominions, and of the United States also, to increase the output of war material to the utmost must not be impaired by any trace of complacency.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Prelude To Show Down?

Italian shipping has again suffered a heavy blow in the central Mediterranean when British aircraft sank one merchantship and seriously damaged another five. Let us hope the latter have failed to reach their original destination. Of late there has also been noticeable a certain intensification of belligerent activity in Libya. Patrolling outside the Tobruk defences has become more energetic; the Germans have resorted to the use of tanks during the night and "anti-personnel" dive-bombing during the day. The British, on the other hand, have been inflicting losses upon Axis patrols and have also reinforced their garrison with a Polish detachment which, by the way, lost no time in appropriately announcing its arrival to the enemy. In the frontier area American tanks have now moved into the battle zone and more are on their way. Is all this a prelude to the long delayed show down or just another of the series of spasmodic bursts?

Japan's Dilemma

The Chinese are following up their magnificent successes with a relentless counter-offensive in central China. Already the Japanese have been hammered so much that they are conscious of "loss of face" and, Chungking reports suggest, they are casting about for a means of regaining their prestige elsewhere. But where? This is a dilemma which now presents itself even in a more acute form to them. They are obviously afraid of striking south. The Chinese insist they will stab Russia in the back and that they have already concentrated 32 dvisions in Manchukuo for this noble purpose. But there is an important difference between Italy and a Japan which has already been fairly crippled militarily and economically. Moreover, Russia is not France.

Prohibition In Bihar

There will be widespread satisfaction at the decision of the Patna High Court that the amendment made by the Bihar Governor to the Bihar and Orissa Excise Act of 1915 is 'intra vires' and legal and as such the notification introducing prohibition in the district of Saran is also legal. Last year the same Court had declared the first prohibition notification illegal and 'ultra vires'. The Governor amended the Excise Act so as to empower the Government to issue such notification. The Government, acting under the amended Excise Act, issued a fresh prohibition notification. The validity of this notification was challenged in the present appeal. The present decision declaring the Governor's amending Act valid is a great gain to the cause of prohibition. And the legal position in other provinces where prohibition is partially enforced needs to be reconsidered in the light of the latest decision of the Patna High Court.

Not Irrelevant

It is reported that at the secret session of the National Defence Council Mr. Jamnadas Mehta raised the issue of Mr. Churchill refusing to apply the Atlantic Charter to India but that his remarks on it were cut short having been held to be irrelevant to the occasion. The issue was certainly not irrelevant, whatever might be its merits otherwise. It is relevant in the sense that Mr. Churchill's attitude is, in the opinion of many, calculated to weaken the war effort which the Defence Council is expected to stimulate. Is the Council precluded from even discussing an official measure, even though its resolutions are only recommendations? Is the Council expected only to say ditto to official statements and instructions?

A Useful Journal

The issue of the journal of the Gujarat Research Society for October, 1941, contains a wealth of material which will be of interest not only to Gujaratis but also to students of public affair elsewhere. Articles published in English occupy some 50 as against about 20 pages covered by articles in Gujarati. The latter section contains the results of an experimental nutrition survey conducted at Laxminagar, Khar, which are summarized by Mr. Popatlal G. Shah. The results of a similar survey for Gujarati boys conducted by Dr. G. M. Kurulkari find place in the English section. That section contains two other interesting articles, one on "Chemical Industries in Greater Gujarat" by M. M. B Desai and another entitled "Is The Garden of Gujarat Becoming a Desert"? by Rao Bahadur C. D. Kavi. There is also an article on changes in the climatic conditions of Gujarat by Dr. B. N. Desai.

After Broome Report

Europeans Must Shed Animosity Against Indians

Sastri Hopes Nationals In South Africa Should Get Some Respite

MADRAS, Oct. 13.

"The Broome Commission's report on the subject of Indian peneration into European areas is calculated to allay the fears entertained by the white community. I did not expect the report to be so favourable to the Indian case. This was put forward with great ability and has apparently had an uncommon degree of influence with the commissioners", observed the Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri in an interview to the "Hindu" on the Broome Indian Penetration Commission's report.

"In the history of our people in that land", said Mr. Sastri, "impartial enquiry has often resulted in the discovery of facts which could not justify the animosity of the Europeans towards our people. Feelings of ill-will, however, arise more from colour prejudice and economic rivalry than from ascertained facts.

It would be a mistake to think that the trouble which led to the appointment of this Commission is over. White people in South Africa reject the testimony of facts without hesitation. I am no alarmist; but I entertain no hope that our countrymen can go to sleep.

SMUTS' CHANGE OF HEART?

"It may be that the war has drawn the cammunities closer together than before. I have no facts to go upon; but I am by no means optimistic. The field Marshal who might have scotched the enquiry at an early state, found it necessary to let it function in order to please his countrymen. Reports represent him as having softened towards our people in spite of the colour prejudice, which is as strong in him as in others. Having lost personal touch with affairs in that part of the world, I am unable to judge whether this is a fact rather than a wish, and how far we may derive comfort from it.

All that one can say is that if the awful portents of the time have touched the Field-Marshal's heart, as such as they seem to have stimulated his energy, the report would enable him to open a new page in the history of the relations between the two communities and allow our people for some years at least to draw their breath easily.

'TRUST AGAIN AND WAIT'

To our countrymen, I would address a word of appeal: "You have often been disappointed and deceived. Nevertheless it would be well to trust again and wait. The great events in Europe are revolutionising men's outlook as well as their fortunes. The Boer may yet prove as susceptible as other humans".—A. P.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY BALLOT

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13.

Indo-Burma Immigration Agreement, Atlantic Charter and its applicability to India, price control and control of forward trading in foodstuffs are some of the important subjects proposed to be discussed in the Central Legislative Assembly during its forthcoming session, which commences from October 27.

This is indicated by non-official resolutions which have been allotted to-day for discussion on October 29.

The resolution relating to Indo-Burma immigration agreement finds first, third and fifth place in the ballot and has been drawn in the name of Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi, Mr. Chattopadhyaya and Mr. Akhil Chandra Dutta Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan, Honorary Secretary of the All-India Muslim League and Mr. Nauman have drawn second and sixth places for their resolutions urging measures against forward contracts of foodstuffs.

Mr. Abdul Rashid Chawdhury has his resolution relating to application of Atlantic Charter in the case of India. Mr. Akhil Chandra Dutta has an alternative resolution relating to the adoption of means to make India self sufficient in respect of foodstuffs. Sardar Santsingh and Mr. Joshi have resolutions urging the release of detenus. Mr. Joshi, in addition wants the removal of restrictions imposed on certain persons regarding their movements. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta wishes to discuss the repatriation of sterling debt and Mr. Ghulam Bhik Nairang wishes to raise debate on the control of prices.—A. P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

DALLAS (Texas), Oct. 12.
A Neutrality Act amendment authorising the arming of United States' merchantmen would be passed by Congress by November 1, said Senator Conally, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, in an interview.
He added that he would then introduce another amendment removing the ban on American merchantmen sailing wherever they pleased. He predicted that this amendment would result in a debate lasting a month with some "filibustering" and would not be passed until the middle of December.—Reuter.

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According to the Working Committee of the Hindu Mahasabha, Mr. Churchill's statement on the Atlantic Charter "will disillusion those Indians—Congressites and others—who fancied at the very outbreak of the war that Britain was out (?) in defence of democracy and freedom all over the world."

"Congressites" is good, but typically Mahasabhaite.

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"What next?" asks a name confrere apropos of extensive R.A.F. and patrolling activity in Libya.

Extensive R.A.F. and patrolling activity in Libya.

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Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham, C-in-C Far East, has gone to Australia and New Zealand and expects to be away six weeks, says a Singapore message.

Journalists with their professional uncanny talent for intelligent anticipation are at liberty to deduce therefrom that the Southern front of the Far Eastern won't flare up yet.

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"Japan will have to be watched very closely...."

—Anglo-India.

Really?

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According to a Geneva despatch to the Russian Tass Agency, only 25 per cent of the German troops formerly stationed in Belgium are remaining there.

Lord Beaverbrook, however, needs only an inadequate 30,000 tanks to rush to crush them.

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R.A.F. bombers and fighters have resumed their "Sweeps" over France, Belgium and Holland.

And the expectant people there have resumed their wondering.

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According to President Roosevelt, there was no question of recognition involved in the change in the regime at Panama because "apparently it had been made in accordance with the Panamian constitution."

And also in accordance with the realistic needs of the situation.

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A fire in a famous rubber goods factory of America has resulted in a loss of about 13 million dollars.

What fools the saboteurs are. The U.S.A. doesn't lack rubber.

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"Your wife is such a brilliant conversationalist."

"Why shouldn't she be? She's been practising on me for twenty years."

Mr. Amery's Answers

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Mr. Amery's utterances which have been released to the Indian press only recently, were first heard as broadcast answers to certain questions put by American listeners of the B.B.C. On the 8th September 1941 at 7-30 a.m. I. S. T. those arrogant replies were first heard in India as part of the "Answering You" feature of the B.B.C. The same day at 9-30 a.m. an electrical recording of the same questions and answers was played as is the usual custom of the B.B.C.

Curiously enough on the 15th of September, i.e., a week later, no new "Answering You" feature was introduced; but the old questions and answers of the 8th of September were heard both at 7-30 a.m. and 9-30 a.m. The reason for this repeat broadcast was given and it alluded to that weather factor over which no human control exists and which, by the way, comes very handy as a strong excuse for repeat performances of this sort.

Not content with "Four" repetitions of the important questions and answers, another repeat broadcast of the same electrical recording was made this time for South and Central American listeners. This was some time during the third week of September. And at the end of the month the authorities that be in London have deemed it necessary to issue a full text of the questions and answers for the Indian press.

A reference to these questions and answers was made by me in my weekly radio review for the 'Vividhavritta', in its issue of the 21st September.

How are we to account for this delay?—Yours etc.,

SHRIPAD R. TIKEKAR.

Britain Takes Up Air Offensive

MASS R. A. F. RAIDS OVER GERMANY

THREE HUNDRED BOMBERS PARTICIPATE IN SUNDAY NIGHT'S ATTACK

LONDON, October 13.

IT IS LEARNED that over 300 bombers took part on Sunday night's R.A.F. raid on Germany, the chief objective being Nuremburg. A heavy assault was made in good weather.

BERLIN ADMISSION

The Official German News Agency this morning reports Royal Air Force raids last night over northern and southern Germany. High explosives and incendiary bombs were dropped.

On Sunday night the R.A.F. bombed targets in Bavaria, Rhineland and north-west Germany.

An Air Ministry communique states that enemy activity over Great Britain on Sunday night was again on a small scale. One enemy aircraft was destroyed.

Nuremburg, once the home of Nazi Party rallies, is the centre of Germany's pre-war toy industry, now largely turned over to the manufacture of intricate gadgets for tanks, aircraft and other modern weapons of war. In particular it is the site of the Siemens-Shuckert works making electrical equipment for warplanes. This plant was the objective on the R.A.F.'s last visit to Nuremburg in November.

The Nazi Party stronghold has now been raided altogether three times.

In western and north-western Germany the weather was not so favourable but strong forces attacked a number of targets particularly Bremen.

MANY FIRES STARTED IN NUREMBERG.

An Air Ministry Communique describing last night's heavy raid on Germany states: "Large forces of Bomber Command aircraft attacked targets in Germany last night. The principal objectives were at Nuremberg which was heavily attacked in good weather.

Many fires were started and they spread over a large area.

A number of targets in Western and North-Western Germany were also attacked. The weather was not so favourable as in the south.

Strong forces bombed objectives at Bremen. The docks at Boulogne were also bombed.

TWO AXIS SHIPS HIT

Aircraft of the Coastal Command bombed an enemy aerodrome in Holland. Other Coastal Command aircraft attacked shipping off the Dutch Coast. A supply ship was hit amidships, causing an explosion and off Norway another vessel was hit.

Aircraft of the Fighter Command on offensive patrols attacked enemy aerodromes in France.

From all these operations eleven aircraft of the Bomber Command are missing."

BIGGEST BOMBERS USED

Britain's biggest bombers, four-engined Short Stirlings, were among those used on Sunday night by the bomber command in what is described as one of the biggest night offensives of the whole war. Targets were objectives in Eavaria, Rhineland and north west Germany. Bavaria which is 1,200 miles return flight from English bases was last bombed on November 8, 1940, when strong forces hurled bombs on the centre of Munich, hitting the famous beer cellar, Loewenbraue Keller. Munition and aircraft factories and railway communications radiate from the city.

Rhineland was last bombed on Friday night when Cologne was the main objective.

The arc of last night's activities by the Bomber Command was 500 miles.—Reuter.

craft of the R.A.F. during the night of October 10-11.

Bardia and Doma were heavily attacked from the air and Camiso aerodrome in Sicily has again been raided.

A Middle East R.A.F. communique states that two medium-sized vessels were seriously damaged and brought to a standstill while a third ship was hit and damaged.

Low level bombing attacks were then made and resulted in a further number of hits.

One of the vessels was set on fire. In a third attack two hits were made on one large merchantman which was stopped and was last seen surrounded by a patch of oil.

In daylight yesterday R.A.F. bomber aircraft attacked enemy shipping in the Gulf of Sirte, setting a fire to one of the vessels which was probably sunk. A cargo boat was hit and left burning.

In North Africa the harbour at Benghazi was raided on the night of October nine-ten.

A large fire broke out at Juliana point while fires and explosions were observed following attacks on aerodromes at Berka and Benina. Concentrations of motor transport and tanks were also bombed.

Bardia and Derna were heavily attacked by aircraft of the R.A.F during the night of October 10/11. Fires were started in workshops at Bardia.

At Derna a power station was left burning and other fires broke out among buildings near the harbour. Reconnaissance shows that a medium sized merchantman attacked at Tripoli on October seven is sunk in the harbour.

In Sicily the Camiso aerodrome was raided. From all operations five of our aircraft are missing.—Reuter.

BROOKE-POPHAM WILL MEET WAR CABINET.

MELBOURNE: — Sir Robert Brooke-Popham who left Singapore by air for Australia this morning will meet the new members of the War Cabinet on Wednesday.

He has been invited to participate with Australian staff chiefs at the War Cabinet and war Council meeting on Thursday to discuss the Pacific and Far East questions.

BOMBS DROPPED IN SWISS CANTON

House Destroyed & Three Persons Killed In Attack By Unidentified Plane

BERNE, Oct. 13.

Aircraft of unknown nationality dropped bombs on a village in the canton of Thurgan, Switzerland, on Sunday night, according to a Communique issued by the Swiss High Command. A House was destroyed and three persons were killed. An enquiry is in progress.

The canton of Thurgan is on the shores of Lake Constance in northern Switzerland and adjoins south Germany.—Reuter

R. A. F. BOMB BARDIA, DOMA & CAMISO AIRBASE

CAIRO, Oct. 13.

Further successful attacks on enemy shipping in the central Mediterranean were carried out by naval aircraft and by bomber air-

BR. AIR ACE KILLED IN ACTION

LONDON, Oct. 13.

The air ace, who bombed Berlin 36 times, is now presumed killed in action. He is Fl.-Lt. R. S. E. Aldridge, who was previously reported missing, believed killed.

Another holder of the Distinguished Flying Cross, Squadron Leader R. H. Spencer, who is reported missing, was stated on being awarded the Cross in May to have shown outstanding skill in actions in the Western Desert and Crete and last May led successive low-flying attacks against a force of hundred enemy tanks, which threatened our lines of communication.

Flying Officer S. B. De Mier believed to be the only Mexican officer flying for Britain is listed as "wounded or injured in action."—Reuter.

Monday's Raids Over France

LONDON, Oct. 13.

It is learned that thirteen enemy fighters hitherto are reported to have been destroyed and nine British fighters and one bomber are missing, when Blenheim bombers escorted by fighters attacked objectives in Northern France this afternoon. One British pilot has been rescued, states an air Ministry Communique. There were many combats with enemy fighters. Details of the bombing operations are not yet available.—Reuter.

NAZI TANKS DRIVEN BACK AT TOBRUK

CAIRO, Oct. 13.

British tanks at Tobruk have hit back after a series of thrusts by German tanks against the perimeter defences of the garrison.

A British G. H. Q. Communique states:—

"LIBYA:—Tobruk:—During the night of October 11/12 an infantry patrol supported by tanks forced the enemy to withdraw from one of the observation points which he had recently captured. In the south-west sector, Polish patrols attacked an enemy strong point, inflicting numerous casualties on the garrison, before they themselves withdrew. These activities resulted in the enemy putting down a continuous but ineffective artillery barrage for the remainder of the night.

During yesterday a number of enemy parties employed on improving the defensive work outside our south-east sector were dispersed by artillery fire. To cover these parties German tanks approached our defences but were forced to withdraw after one had been hit.

ATTACK ON AXIS POST

IN THE FRONTIER area one of our mechanised patrols successfully attacked an enemy post. After a sharp engagement four German armoured cars were put to flight, while a fifth was completely destroyed and left in our hands. Several German prisoners and a quantity of equipment were also captured".—Reuter.

MADRAS, Oct. 13.—The Silver Jubilee of Indian scouting will be celebrated during the Christmas week by holding a provincial scout camp at the Besant Scout Camping Centre, Adyar.—A. P.

War Chiefs Confer In Mid-East

An important conference of British Service Chiefs from Middle East, Palestine, Iraq and India was held in Baghdad on September 26-27, to discuss recent developments and decide future policy. Picture, taken at the aerodromes shows left to right:—Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell, C.-in-C., India, Gen. Sir C. Auchinleck, C.-in-C. Mid-East, Lt.-Gen. E. P. Quinan, Commander Iraq force, and Gen. Sir H. Maitland Wilson, G. O. C.-in-C. Palestine and Trans Jordan forces, (and another).

Several Killed In Terrific Explosion In Alaska Naval Base

SITKA (Alaska), Oct. 13.

Several persons were killed in a magazine explosion at the Sitka Naval Air Station. Only one body has at present been recovered while unknown number of others are believed to be buried in the wreckage at the Sitka Naval Air Base.

The explosion was caused by a blast which reverbrated across the country side. The Sitka Naval Air Base is located in Baranof Island and is one of the five which the United States constructed in Alaska at a total cost of 25 million dollars.

The explosion killed at least six servicemen, injured dozens of people in the neighbouring fishing village and damaged defence construction.

The windows of the Sitka Church were shattered and many women and children leaving the church were cut by flying glass.

Armaments Works Badly Damaged

FULRIVER (Massachusetts). Oct. 13.

The Firetsone Rubber Company factory which is making rubber goods for the United States services has been badly damaged by fire.

The loss is estimated at 13 million dollars.

Roaring flames fed by thousands of tons of stored Government-owned crude rubber swept the Firestone Rubber Company, factory and destroyed five large buildings and damaged three others.

The "Fulriver Herald News" estimates the loss at 13 million dollars.

The factory has been working day and night turning out gas-masks and rubber cartridge belts for machineguns and other rubber goods for United States services.—Reuter.

America Will Seize French Colonies

If Vichy Permits Germany To Use Them

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.

Addressing a Texas State's Fair crowd of 50,000 Mr. Connally, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that the United States would seize hold of any French colonies in the Western Hemisphere of the Vichy Government permitted Germans to use them.

"We insist that no foreign infiltration of a political character shall be permitted in the western world and that no bases will be acquired in the Western Hemisphere.

We expect to see by armed might that there none".—Reuter.

SATYAMURTI OUTLINES NEW CONGRESS POLICY

(Continued from Page 1.)

and I have been advocating it since 1920", he observed.

NO CALLING OFF OF SATYAGRAHA

Continuing Mr. Satyamurthi pointed out that in his advocacy for a change in the Congress policy he did not call for a stoppage of the present Satyagraha campaign. In fact they could reinforce it in fifty other ways. Congress back in power could invigorate the constructive programme and by wise and well-planned activity promote communal harmony and eradicate untouchability. Moreover, Mahatma Gandhi had over and over again stated that he did not want to embarrass the British Government which was now at war. The movement of Satyagraha was on that account purposely restricted. Mahatma Gandhi, when he said a thing meant it. There could be no danger if he is allowed the freedom to express his opposition to all wars on the principle of non-violence. In fact even now in many parts of the country no arrests were being made of Satyagrahis. Looked at it from any point of view, everything tended to support his point of view.

AT THE CENTRE

As regards the expanded Executive Council of the Viceroy, it no doubt contained estimable gentlemen and true, but they were not representatives of the people. In fact they represented only themselves, These gentlemen were emphasising their patriotic and nationalist qualities and the Congress could test how much their protestations were worth, if they, too, were there.

He could see no reason whatever why the Congress should not go back and occupy the Opposition benches in the Central Assembly. From the Centre, the Congress could emphatically tell the world what India's attitude was to the war. It was essential that on such important measures as the Indo-Burma agreement and the Indo-Ceylon agreement, the Congress should express its opinion unequivocally. It was only right they should record their protest.

There were people who said that even the Muslim League might withdraw its followers from the Assembly. He did not think so. But whether it did or not, a major political organisation did things independently and on its own responsibility. It did not depend on others' actions for its own conduct. But if the League, continued in the Assembly, he felt sure that on a number of issues they would vote with the Congress and not with the Government.

Crew Of Japanese Submarine 'Lost'

TOKIO, Oct. 13.

Contrary to a previous report that some of the crew had been rescued it is now announced by the Navy Minister that the members of the crew of the Japanese submarine "I 61" which sank off Kyashu on October 2 after collision with a surface craft during manoeuvres are "given up as lost."—Reuter.

ANTI-CIVIC--TAX SATYAGRAHA

NAGPUR, Oct. 13.

Satyagraha against the new Municipal Taxes is continuing. Every day about half a dozen volunteers hold a demonstration in front of the Municipal Office shouting anti-tax slogans. The police do not interfere in their activities.—A. P.

E. Indies C.-in-C. Killed

Lt.-Gen. Berenschot Dies In Air Mishap After Welcoming Brooke-Popham

LONDON, Oct. 13.

The Batavia wireless states that the Commander-in-Chief of the Netherlands Indies Army, Lt.-Gen. G. J. Berenschot was killed in an air crash.

Lt.-Gen. Berenschot had just returned from a conference with the British Commander-in-Chief, Far East, Sir Brooke-Popham, and he was on his way to Bandoeng—the headquarters of the Netherlands Indies Army.

It was earlier stated in Batavia that "important passengers" were reported killed, when an aircraft crashed while taking off from the new aerodrome there.

The Eatavia radio giving further information says that Lt.-Gen. Berenschot went to Batavia in order to welcome Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, who was passing through 'en route' from Singapore to Australia.

MACHINE CATCHES FIRE

Following talks with Sir Robert Lt.-Gen. Bernschot's military plane had just taken off to return to Bandoeng when, an observer in the aerodrome control says, the machine caught fire and crashed. The accident is attributed to engine trouble. The fire brigade rushed to the scene but was unable to save the occupants. The Pilot and two East Indian N.C.O.'s were also killed.

Lt.-Gen. Berenschot, who had risen from a junior rank in the old "Jungle Forces" of the Netherlands Indies was largely responsible for to-day's preparedness of the Netherlands Indies armies.

It is stated that Lt.-Gen. Berenschot was starting on an important mission.

Sir Robert Brooke-Popham left Eatavia for Sourabaya shortly after the accident.—Reuter.

ITALY MUST PREPARE FOR LONG WAR

BERNE, Oct. 13.

Italy must prepare to face a long war, said Sgr. Farinacci, former secretary to the Italian Fascist Party, speaking at Cremona.

"The Fascists should not try to make excuses and minimise the situation to the public," he said, "inviting the Fascist leaders in that province to give serious heed to all complaints."

Sgr. Farinacci added: "It must be recognised that we ourselves created this war atmosphere."—Reuter.

BEAVERBROOK'S BROADCAST IN U. S. PRESS

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.

Lord Beaverbrook's broadcast on Sunday night on Moscow conference was prominently reported in the United States newspapers on Monday. The "Washington Times Herald" published the full text.—Reuter.

AUCHINLECK'S TOUR

CAIRO, Oct. 13.

Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, recently made a short tour of parts of Palestine and Syria, it is revealed here, inspecting the staff school, local defences and civilian A.R.P. arrangements at Haifa, visiting the battle fields of the Syrian campaign around Beirut, Merdjayoun and Jezzina and also the Litani river crossing where, it is now revealed, troops landed from the sea fighting gallantly against the stiffest opposition and suffered severe casualties in their attempt to cut off Vichy communications. At Beirut Gen. Auchinleck conferred with Gen. Catroux and Gen. Spears. In the Tripoli and Baalbeck areas the Commander-in-Chief visited a number of Australian units and saw Yeomanry regiments training in the Jerusalem area.—Reuter.

Merchant Navy Awards

LONDON, Oct. 13.

The suggestion that naval decorations or special Merchant Navy awards should be given instead of civil awards to men of the Mercantile Marine is made by Mr. William H. Coombs, General Secretary of Navigators' and Engineer Officers' Union in the "Merchant Navy Journal".—Reuter.

Good Bag By R. A. F.

MELBOURNE, Oct. 13.

Royal Australian air squadron have destroyed 140 Axis planes in Europe and the Middle East, declared Mr. A. S. Drakeford, Air Minister, to-day. In addition they have probably destoyed 25 more and damaged at least 89 he said.—Reuter.

Fierce Non-Stop Fighting In Central Sector

Soviet Reinforcements Being Rushed

NAZI ADVANCE SLOWS DOWN

MOSCOW Oct. 13.

The Russian troops defending Leningrad are not only holding the German attacks, but in some sectors are strongly counter-attacking, telegraphs "Reuter's" resident correspondent in Moscow In one such counter-attack, lasting three days from October 8 to 10 inclusive, the Germans lost 1,500 killed and many wounded while the Russians also destroyed or captured 18 anti-tank guns.

The successful backing given to the land troops by the Russian Air Force is another feature of the recent fighting. Thus on October 10 alone Russian planes on this front destroyed three German tanks, four petrol tank cars and more than one hundred vehicles.

In one village where they are trying to establish themselves, the Germans have put up barbed wire entanglements round all the approaches, but they are unable to keep the Russians out. Russian raids on the village are numerous and house to house fighting frequent.

Twelve German aeroplanes were brought down in the approaches to Moscow on Sunday and four the previous day. German efforts both in groups and with single planes to raid Moscow yesterday were all defeated and the planes turned back. The night alarm lasted only a short time and there was only one major period of anti-aircraft fire.

NAZI LOSSES

"During the past week, our dive-bombers destroyed in the Vyazma region 205 enemy tanks and 600 lorries and silenced 16 enemy batteries, 54 anti-aircraft guns and 101 firing points,' says the Official Soviet Agency.

The Soviet midday 'communique' states: "During the night of October 12, our troops fought the enemy along the entire front. Fighting is particularly fierce in the direction of Vyazma."

A supplement to the 'communique' says: "In the south-western direction of the front, our troops fought stubbornly against advancing enemy units. In several sections in this direction, our troops started counter-attacks."

The supplement adds that in the same direction, Soviet units counter-attacking the enemy destroyed 120 lorries with ammunition and eighty motor-cycles. In another sector 500 German soldiers were killed. The Soviet air force attacking an enemy aerodrome destroyed ten Junkers, damaging many other enemy aircraft.

In another sector, Soviet fliers destroyed several tanks and 100 lorries. "On the approaches to Leningrad, one of our tank units destroyed 13 anti-tank guns, 14 heavy machine-guns and four artillery observation posts and killed over 400 German officers and men."

FIERCE NON-STOP FIGHTING.

"Fierce fighting goes on by day and night and the situation continues tense", writes the "Pravda" war correspondent after visiting Soviet units in action in the Vyazma region and also sectors of the new defence lines built by the Soviet along the whole sector on this front. The correspondent adds:

"The first break through of the enemy in the Vyazma direction was made by a sudden onslaught from the flank where the enemy succeeded in driving a wedge into the Soviet defence lines. He hoped to demoralise the Soviet troops and break their spirit. In spite of heavy losses our troops are fighting resolutely, displaying the greatest endurance and coolness. By hand grenades and bottles of petrol, our troops have destroyed fifty German tanks in the last few days. The speed of the enemy's advance in the Vyazma region has been slowing down in the past few days. Reinforcements for our troops consisting of well equipped fighting units are moving on the roads leading to the front."

OFFENSIVE LOSSES PACE.

The German offensive in the Vyazma sector has now lost much of its pace after being in progress for ten days, according to the Soviet army newspaper 'Red Star.''Paying a tribute to General Boldin's Command in this sector, the "Red Star" says that the start of the offensive found him holding a series of forward positions covering other Soviet troops. The Germans tried many times to circumvent the front and make a gap through which to pour, but General Boldin, withdrawing each time at the last moment, got his men through to new positions. It has been General Boldin's luck to deal with tough situations since the war began. On the early days of the campaign on the Soviet western border, he fought his way through to rejoin the main armies.

ADVANCE IN BRIANSK REGION.

The Soviet troops in the Briansk region are maintaining unbroken opposition, despatches from the front to the "Red Star" make clear, and the enemy is only progressing beyond Briansk at the expense of heavy losses. The first snows of approaching winter are now chilling the Germans in this region, although the fall has not yet reached sufficient depth to make caterpillar transport difficult.

LONDON:—The latest despatches indicate that both sides are bringing up reserves to the vital Central Sector where German and Soviet forces are locked in day and night combat over a wide front one hundred miles westward of Moscow.

Following the abandonment of Briansk the Germans are seeking to exploit their success and maintain the momentum of their drive which already shows definite signs of slowing up.

The Vital Central Sector

On the Soviet side the first definite claims that the speed of the German advance eastward on the Vyazma front has been really braked by Soviet resistance was made to-day in a despatch from the frontline correspondent of the Moscow newspaper, "Pravda", who also reveals that Soviet reinforcements are ceaselessly moving up along routes leading to the front. The fresh Soviet troops are described as "well-equipped fighting units or units which have already seen fighting and which had been sent to the rear for rest". The correspondent adds that "a remarkable fighting spirit permeates all these men"

GERMAN CLAIMS

Moscow says nothing about the position of the Red forces which, according to German claims, were encircled in the neighbourhood of Briansk. Semi-official German reports to-day alleged that these troops were yesterday making desperate efforts to break through "throwing in their last forces"

Giving details of the struggle this account says that Soviet troops "advanced fifteen deep in broad waves against the German positions, but all their efforts were frustrated by German fire"

Nazi Drive Slows Down

The German drive in the Central Sector of the Russian front has been definitely slowed up compared with the first two or three days according to well informed London quarters. If the slowing up of the advance is due to the need for "mopping up" behind the German lines, it may take them two to three weeks before they can renew the assault on the same gigantic scale with which they started nearly two weeks ago.

There is no further news of the German drive towards Rzhev and other thrusts in the Central Sector seem to have made but slight progress. Very severe fighting continues and the Germans are attempting to annihilate Russian forces cut off behind their advance. There are indications that Russian reserves are being brought up.

Ship-building In Malaya

For Royal And Indian Navies: More Income-Tax Foreshadowed

SINGAPORE, Oct. 1.

An important addition to Malayan wartime activities was disclosed by the Governor, Sir Shenton Thomas, who, speaking at the budget meeting of the Legislative Council to-day said that over ten million Straits dollars worth of ship-building was in hand both for the Royal Navy and the Royal Indian Navy. Craft being built included mine-sweepers and moor ing vessels, while two one thousand horse-power engines and a auxiliary engines were being built for the Indian Navy.

He also foreshadowed that there would be increased rates of Income-Tax "affording tax-payers an opportunity of participating in a greater measure in some of the sacrifice made by the people of Britain and other parts of the Empire".—Reuter.

SYDNEY:—Opposition representatives in the Australian War Advisory Council are the former Cabinet Ministers Mr Fadden (ex Prime Minister), Mr Hughes who was Navy Minister in the last Government, Mr. Menzies, the former Prime Minister, Mr. McEwen who was Minister of Air and Civil Aviation in Mr. Fadden's Cabinet and Mr. Spender, former Army Minister.—Reuter.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

The cause of the wounded Indian soldiers has met with a most sympathetic response from all quarters, which is encouraging for those who are trying to do something in this direction. Some days ago I had referred to it in this Half-Column and requested other papers to take notice of the Fund started and of the account opened with the Bank of India, to which your contributions should be addressed. I am glad to find that a number of papers have done so, and more than the papers it is the enthusiasm of individuals who have heard of it that is so encouraging.

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In the past we have had funds for Polish refugees, for St. George's hospital, for the Red Cross, for the War Fund and so many other things. Shows, parties, dances have been given to raise these funds. As one who has attended so many of these functions I have seen how liberally the Indian people have given on all these occasions. To-day the cause for which monies are asked is that of our own people, of gallant men who have fought in the Second World War and who have been wounded. I feel that something more than usual should be done for them. This is a cause which is sufficiently humanitarian for us to give to it without upsetting political convictions about the war effort. Some of these men are badly wounded. They may never recover from their suffering. Some may have only just so many months to live.

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Such is the aftermath of war. The fact remains that some of our countrymen have come back from war fronts maimed and wounded. They have not asked for our charity. They are not the type of men who will ever ask. But I have seen and known of ladies going round and pathetically collecting what can be collected to give some comfort to these men—packets of cigarettes, a few cakes, sweets, a comb, hair-oil, letter paper and a hundred little things which make the lives of these wounded men just a little happier. The men in turn have appreciated every little kindness. They are pleased when they are entertained to a picture.

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But all this effort is dependant on the efforts of individuals. One feels now that some large fund should be started of which the Sixth of November should be only the beginning. So I say to you—to those of you who read this Half-Column—give these men what you can spare. I don't think you'll ever know what these little comforts will mean to them. If you are going to do something, do it soon, because it encourages those who are working for this cause and acts as a stimulus to do more. If it is a donation, however small, send it to the Bank of India marked "The Sixth November A/c." If it is tickets you want for the supper-dance of November the Sixth, ask for it from the Taj. In both ways you'll be helping this cause.

Looking through the October issue of "The Twentieth Century" came across a broadcast talk on "Social Snobs" by Sir Maharaj Singh, which is reproduced in it. It makes interesting reading. The writer treats the subject thoroughly touching upon Thackeray, Carlyle and Juvenal for their interpretations. Speaking of the snob, Maharaj Singh says: "He has a supercilious sniff, a symbolic shrug and an affected drawl. ...While he is patronising to those below him, the social snob is tolerant of snubs and even insults from the highly placed...." From Hazlitt he says: "man is a toad-eating animal". To which he adds his own: "You admire the rising rather than the setting sun". I was pleasantly surprised at the polish of this broadcast talk.

REFRESHING REX COOLING
Lime Juice
CORDIAL

NO COMMUNAL CRICKET

GANDHIJI REITERATES HIS OPPOSITION

"Utterly Opposed To Communalism In Everything, But Much More So In Sport"

BOMBAY, Oct. 13.

Mahatma Gandhi has reiterated his opposition to communal cricket in reply to a letter from M. G. Bhave of Poona, who recently wrote to him asking him to lay before the public his clear views once again on the question of communal cricket.

Mr. Bhave in his recent letter to Mahatma Gandhi recalled Mahatma Gandhi's remarks last year on communal cricket and said "if I am right, you had very clearly and emphatically told the Hindu Gymkhana deputation that you yourself were quite against holding communal tournaments in India. Curiously enough, the people concerned having made no attempt to stop communal cricket matches are at present thinking of holding the cricket carnival as usual on communal lines.

As to the political situation of our country due to which the Hindus withdrew from the Pentangular Cricket Tournament last year, it can be unreservedly said that it is not a bit better—nay it is worsening every day.

"Under the circumstances, people of this side of the presidency sincerely feel that communal cricket should be gone forever. If the matches are played this year, it will be a clear indication that the Hindus made a quick and premature decision in not participating last year in the Pentangular Cricket Tournament.

"I would therefore request you to lay before the public your clear views once again, with regard to communal cricket and the participation of Hindus therein this year.

"If you advise to drop communal cricket for ever, we are ready to give our whole-hearted support to this move. But in case it is so decided as it happened last year to boycott this tournament only for a particular year because the Bombay Hindu Gymkhana so thinks, we are against such a decision as the tournament will still be played on communal lines and Hindu cricket alone will suffer."

Mahatma Gandhi in his reply to Mr. Bhave said "your letter. I retain the same opinion as before. I am utterly opposed to communalism in everything but much more so in sport."—A. P.

HOLDERS BEATEN IN DAS CUP

"Times Of India" In Final

The two semi-finals in the Das Cup Tournament were staged at the St. Xavier's College, Gymkhana ground, Parel, during last week-end. While the "Times of India" Sports Club succeeded in eliminating the second string of the Y. M. C. A., the holders by a solitary goal, the Muslims Sports and the H. V. M. Sports failed to arrive at a decision.

MUSLIMS AND H. V. M DRAW AGAIN

Playing on Saturday, the Muslims and the H. V. M. reproduced the barren nature of their previous engagement in the Junior Rovers. The forwards on both sides failed to beat the opposing defence, despite the extra time allowed to them. Rashad being well-guarded, the Muslims found it rather difficult to get a move on. The H. V. M. forwards, on the other hand, got plenty of opportunities to score, but their shooting was far from brilliant and penetrating. Thus the game remained pointless. These two teams are meeting again to-day in the Junior Rovers. It is understood whoever wins will go into the final of the Das Cup, as the losers have agreed to concede a walk-over to them.

FRUITLESS EFFORTS BY Y. M. C. A.

The contest between the "Times of India" and the second string of the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday did not turn out to be a thrilling affair either. The forwards on either side seemed to lack that spirit of cohesion and aggression which such an important engagement would have engendered earlier in the season. There was a tired feeling in their ranks which the defenders exploited to the utmost. The Pressmen were offered a spot-neck in the first half which Grostate placed safely into the hands of the Y. M. C. A. custodian. The second half was about to go blank too. But towards the close the Pressmen exerted greater pressure and as a result of some corner kicks, Easdon managed to find the net with a header. Thereafter Atkinson, who was playing full-lack joined the attacking line and tried hard to bring off the equaliser. It did not however come their way. Thus all the efforts of the Young Men to strengthen the combination with new blood proved unavailing.

Cricket

CALCUTTA TEAM FOR BOMBAY

Will Make A Tour Of Western India

CALCUTTA, Oct. 13

Sporting Union, one of Calcutta's leading cricket clubs, is making a tour of Western India including Bombay.

On October 15, they will play the cricket club of India at the Brabourne Stadium, Bombay, on October 18 and 19. They will play at Ahmedabad against the Gujerat C. A.

After this match, Sporting Union will return to Bombay and play the Free Looters Club on the Parsi Gymkhana Ground on October 23 and 24. From Bombay, they will proceed to Poona and play the Maharashtra C. A. The Ranji Trophy holders, in a two-day match commencing on October 27 and 28. The Rander Islam Gymkhana will play a two-day match against the Calcutta side on October 30 and 31, this being an extra fixture included in their programme.

The only three-day match of the tour will be played against the Baroda Cricket Association at Baroda.

Sporting Union left Calcutta last night for Bombay.—A P.

A.-I. Inter-University Aquatics

ALLAHABAD, October 13

The All-India Inter-University aquatics will be held at the Allahabad University from November 7th to 9th. Except the long swimming races, all the events connected with the tournament will be held in the University swimming tank, which has been lately remodelled.—A.P.

Paraders' Hockey

LAHORE, October 13

In the only match played in the Paraders' Hockey Tournament this evening Raiders' Club "A" beat Government College "B" by five goals to nil.—A.P

L. LIANG FOR DARJEELING

CALCUTTA, October 13

H. E. L. Liang, former Chinese Minister in Rumania, who is now on his way to Chungking has left for Darjeeling to visit the hills.—A.P.

CEYLON TEAM FOR MADRAS

MADRAS, October 13

A cricket team from Ceylon consisting of players from Panadura and Kalutara will visit Madras during the Christmas week and play a series of matches in the city including a two-day fixture against the Madras Cricket Club.

The Ceylon team will also visit Bangalore and Mysore before returning to Colombo.—A.P.

RIGHTS TO CARRY PROCESSIONS WITH MUSIC UPHELD

"Temporary Orders Of Executive Authorities Do Not Affect Them"

NELLORE, October 11.

"Under a previous decree of the Court the Hindu inhabitants of Nellore have undoubted civil rights to carry procession of all sorts with music in all the streets in Nellore Town, subject to a reservation that these processions do stop the music in front of mosques, 50 yards on either side of them, at certain specified hours. This right is once for all declared and has become final. It cannot be affected by the temporary orders of the Executive authorities."

Thus observed Mr. B. T. M Raghavacharyulu, Principal District Munsif, Nellore, passing orders to-day, on an application filed by Mr. K. Adisesha Reddi, President of the Civil Liberties Union, Nellore, for the execution of a previous decree of the Court, in favour of Hindus taking out processions with music in Nellore.

The petition was a sequel to the recent banning of "Tiger" processions, during Dessara, and with a view to reassuring their rights in regard to processions with music during the ensuing Deepavali and other Hindu festivals.

ENQUIRY INTO ALLEGATIONS AGAINST DIST. MAGISTRATE

As regards the prayer in the petition to proceed against the respondent (Mr. M. Karamtullah, I.C.S. District Magistrate, Nellore) for alleged neglect, violation and contempt of injunction granted against the Mahomedans of Nellore, the District Munsif stated that he recorded a statement of the petitioner in that connection and that the allegations against the respondent (Mr. Karamtullah) had to be enquired into after notice was served on the party.—A. P.

The two "East India" Squadrons of the British R.A.F. are equipped with Spitfire aircaft purchased with funds raised by the East India Fund for British War Services. A Sergeant Pilot of the Squadron returns from a successful action.

POONA RACING

Baroda Heads List Of Winning Owners

The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda heads the winning owners list with Rs. 68,450 and the Maharaja of Gwalior stands second with Rs. 45,650.

Championship of the season is again shared by Patel and Britt, the former having the honour of training seventeen and the latter riding fifteen winners. The statistics of the trainers' winning list shows a newcomer with a record that is proportionately superior.

Patel entered 132 animals during the season while a new-comer to the profession, Capt. K. O. Jadhav, who trains thorough breds and Indian horses for the sport-loving Maharaja of Gwalior had the distinction of saddling nine winners out of the 57 horses entered. The Gwalior stable has recently added several classical animals to its big string and great successes are anticipated for them during the Bombay season.

Capt. Jadhav has also in his care several promising country breds. Solomon, Eastern Park, Chui-Wai-Chui, Swastika and Red Flower being a few of the Maharaja's notable acquisitions.

Aziz Mahomed has also shown success in training Arabs for the Maharaja of Gwalior. Among them are some good performers and it will not be surprising if during the ensuing Bombay season the Gwalior stable takes pride of place in the final statistics.

The following is the list of winning trainers and jockeys:—

Trainers

M. C. Patel	17
Capt. K. P. Jadhav	9
A. L. J. Talib	6
D. W. Balfour	5
F. Bullock	5
A. Higgins	4
Aga Cumberally	3
Dinshaw	3
D. M. Mistry	3
E. C. Forsyth	3
Moosa	3
H. Chotani	3
Syed Saleh	3
J. Thompson	3
A. K. Hamad	2
Aziz Mahomed	2
M. Ali Asker	2
M. Dhalla	2
Mr. M. Wemyss	2
N. E. Raymond	2
S. H. Agha	2
Syed Fatah	2
D. D. Ghista	2
Dr. S. K. Pillay	2
A. M. Khairaz	2
B. R. Patel	2
Ahmed Abbas	1
Badruddin	1
C. H. Northmore	1
G. L. Shinde	1
H. D. Appoo	1
Khodayar Rustom	1
Mahomedalli	1
O. Randall	1
L. H. Hewitt	1
Saleh Hassan	1
Mahomed Jamoor	1
F. W. Northmore	1

Jockeys

E. Britt	15
R. H. Jones	10
Carr	8
Sibbritt	8
Roberts	7
Bromley	7
Raffaele	6
Evans	6
Jadhav	4
J. O'Neale	3
Whiteside	2
Baba Khan	2
Harding	2
Mahomed Khan	2
Maxwell	2
Smart	2
B. McQuade	2
Burn	1
Laloo	1
Meekings	1
Rosario	1
Walsh	1

Half Jockeys

K. B. Irani	1

Apprentice Jockeys

Amir Ahmed, A.	5
Mullsingh	1
Narayan Singh	1
P. Khade	1
S. Chavan	1
Magan Singh	1
Uttam Singh	1

Riding Boys

A. G. Khan	1

DESIGNATIONS OF BANKING CONCERNS

CALCUTTA, October 13

The Government of India propose to amend Section 277-F of the Indian Companies Act, 1913, by the insertion of an explanation to the effect that any company which uses as part of its name the word "bank", "banker" or "banking" shall be deemed to be a banking company, irrespective of whether the business of accepting deposits of money on current account or otherwise subject to withdrawal by cheque draft or order is its principal business or not.

TO AVOID DIFFICULTIES

Out of a total of 1,421 concerns, which may be considered to be non-scheduled banks opreating in British India, only about 672 are reported to be providing the returns or maintaining the cash balances required by the law. The others claim that, for one reason or another, they do not fall within the definition of banking companies and this contention has in several cases, been upheld by the courts.

The Government, therefore, propose to amend the Act in order to obviate the difficulties of interpretation, which are thus thrown on the registrars and in order further to prevent companies, which in reality are banking companies, successfully evading compliance with the provisions of a law enacted primarily for the benefit of depositors.

TIME TO CHANGE NAME

The date from which this amendment will come into force will be fixed so as to allow companies who do not consider that they are banking companies as defined by this section, to change their designation so as to drop the word "bank" etc. This may still leave a residuum of companies not calling themselves banks, but nevertheless carrying on banking and attracting deposits. The Government point out, however, that depositors who choose to deal with such a company will do so at their own risk. Moreover it will still be open to the Registiar of Companies to hold, in suitable cases, that any company of this type is a banking company and thus bring it within the purview of part X-A of the Act, unless his decision is challenged successfully in a court of law.

The Central Government have circulated their proposal to all Provincial Governments as also to recognised chambers of commerce and associations for eliciting opinion thereon.—A.P.

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

DECEMBER

New York, October 13

Previous closing 16.85
To-day's opening ..... closed

BROACH EXPECTATION.

Broach April/May ..... Rs. 207

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, October 13

The New York cotton market was closed to-day owing to Columbus Day.

Following are the New York opening ranges:—

October (unquoted) closed
December (16.94/94) closed
March (17.14/14) closed

LONDON COMMODITIES.

London, October 13

SEEDS

Castorseeds October/November (£19 3/4 quoted) £19 3/4 quoted

Linseed Bombay Calcutta October/November (£19 1/2 quoted) £19 1/2 quoted

Linseed La Plata October/November (£12 3/16 quoted) £12 3/16 quoted

Groundnut Coromandal Coast October/November (£18 1/2 quoted) £18 1/2 quoted

JUTES

Dundee Oct/Nov. (£62 (nominal) unquoted

Lightning October/November (£57 nominal) unquoted

RUBBER

Spot (13 11/16d buyers) 13 11/16d buyers

Forward (13 11/16d paid and buyers) 13 11/16d paid and buyers

LONDON METALS

Tin (£256 buyers; £256 1/4 sellers. Steady £256 buyers; £256 1/4 sellers. Steady.

Electric Copper (£62) £62

Lead (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 2 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Industrials In Moderate Request

CALCUTTA, October 13

The share market ruled quiet after the week-end and the volume of business was satisfactory. Coals, Jutes, Cottons, Teas and popular miscellaneous industrials were in moderate request. Speculative Engineering issues also ruled easier. Government securities continued firm and unchanged.

Following are the closing quotations:—

Cottons: Benares Cotton and Silk 4/9; Bengal Nagpur 16; Cawnpore Tixtiles 9/12; Elgin Mills ord 27.

Coals: Amalgamated 26/14; Deoli 10/8; Dhemo Main 12/12; Union 32/15 ex div; West Jamuria 31/4.

Jutes: Alliance 335; Anglo-India 377 small lot; Baily 256/8; Budge Budge 383; Calcutta Jute ord 21/8; Caledonian 400; Champdany 177; Ganges 23 small lot; Gondalpara 1100; Gourepore 692/8; Howrah 56/12; Hukumchand 12/12 small odd lot; Kamarhatty 516; Naskarpara 20; Nuddea 69; Presidency 6/3; Reliance 58/6.

Eng. Companies; Britannia Eng. 12/8; Burn and Co ord 412; Indian Iron and Steel 32; National Iron and Steel 9/12; Steel Corpn ord 19/9; Pref 121 small odd lot.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corpn 4/8; Indian Copper 2/3; Assam Bengal Cement ord 12/12; Defd 2/12; Dalmia Cement defd 3/2; Alkali and Chemical Ord 21/1; Aluminium Corpn ord 12/9; Bararee Coke 28/2; British Ceylon Corpn ord 5/5; B I Corpn ord 4/14; Dunlop Rubber ord 41/8; James Wright ord 5/13; Rohtas Industries ord 23/4; British Burma Ptroleum 3/7; Bengal Paper 145 ex div; India Paper Pulp 159; Orient Paper ord 15/12 small lot; Titaghur Paper ord 21/6; Assam Saws 4/2; Calcutta Steam Navgn 207/8.

Sugar shares: Buland 21/14; Cawnpore 23/13; Champaran 17/4; Murree Brewery 17/10;

Tea shares: Bateli 6/2; Bishnauth 28/4; Dhunseri 3/8; Hattikhira 22/12; Tengpani 22/8.—A.P.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, October 13

Indian Bank small 15/16, 57 56 small lot; Balasubramania Mills Rs. 59; Vasanta Ordinary 138/8; Palni Andavar ord 68/12; Kalpettas 24/4; 24/8; Velliamtam 24/4, 24/8; Ouchterloney Valley Ord 3/1; 3/1/6; 3/2; 3/2; Mlamalay ord 26/4; 26/12; 26/8. Mlamalay pref Rs. 28/8; Rajagiri 8/14; Vaikundam 10/12; Ayer Manis Pref 101 Highlands Pref 11/4; 11/2; Highlands Ord 28 cd; Coorgs Rs. 38/12; Midlands 8 xd; Tropicals 22/4; South Madras Electric Ord 15; South Madras Electric 4 1/2; Debentures 101/12; Kumbakonam Electric 11/8; Mysore Chemical Manufacturing 15/6; Mysore Chemical and Fertilisers 18/5 cd; Mysore Tobacco 11/14; Mysore Lamps 12/2, 12/2 cd; Andhra Cements ord 89; Mettur Chemicals Ord 13/6 c rts; Mettur Chemicals Pref 126 c rts; Mysore Papers 17/14; A V Thomas 19/12; Indian Steel Rolling Pref 12/4.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 13/10/1941

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 85.0 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.06 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.85 in ches.

For correction of ships' instruments subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES.

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, October 13

Previous closing 4.03 3/4
To-day's opening ..... closed.

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, October 13

Previous closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON GOLD

London, October 13

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, October 13

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil
Forward (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nil

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36
London on Shanghai (0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16) 0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16
London on Kobe not quoted

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS.

Bombay, October 13

There was no trading during the night session.

"CHECK RISE IN YARN PRICES"

Madras Co-operative Conference's Appeal To Govt.

MADRAS, Oct. 13.

The abnormal rise in yarn prices and the consequent plight of handloom weavers were among the subjects discussed at the Madras Provincial Co-operative Conference which concluded its sitting last night.

The conference unanimously passed a resolution which 'inter alia' stated that in view of the abnormal increase in the price of yarn due to the war and the middlemen's profiteering and consequent unemployment among thousands of weavers all over the country, the government should take prompt measures to control the prices of yarn and effectively check profiteering.

The conference also requested the Government to start a spinning mill on co-operative basis to supply yarn to the handloom weavers at reasonable rates.—A. P.

Working Hours In Jute Mills Enhanced

CALCUTTA, Oct. 13.

The member mills of the Indian Jute Mills Association have from to-day enhanced the working hours from 50 to 54 per week.

This is in accordance with the decision taken by the special meeting of the members of the Indian Jute Mills Association held on October 7 in the light of the stock position and the better shipping prospects.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 13th October 1941:—

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hrs. .060 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 83.0 deg.
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 79.0 deg.
Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 90.3 deg. (1.0 above normal).
Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 78.8 deg. (2.9 above normal).
Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 86 per cent.
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. E S E.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 7 miles per hr.
Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 92 mls.
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hrs. 12 miles per hour.
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 2.
Total rainfall during the month 1.62".
Total rainfall during the year 35.81".
Earthquake Report:—An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 1270 miles away was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory at 3h. 24m. (I.S.T.) on 13th October 1941.

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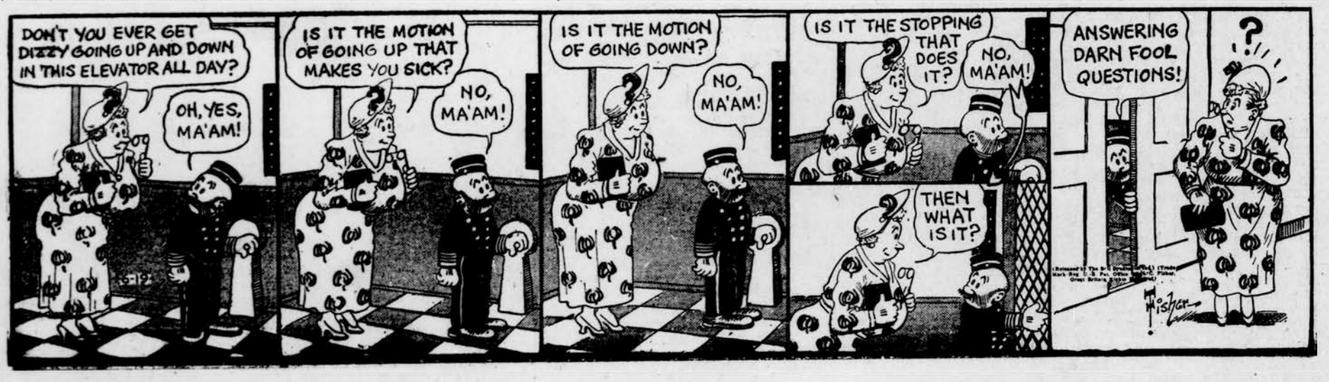
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NO, MA'AM!
IS IT THE STOPPING THAT DOES IT?
NO, MA'AM!
THEN WHAT IS IT?
ANSWERING DARN FOOL QUESTIONS!
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COMMISSION HOUSE LIQUIDATION IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Favourable Weather Over Cotton Belt

TECHNICAL POSITION IMPROVING

Bombay: Oct. 13.

On Saturday the New York cotton market was quiet with a small amount of selling. Better weather drew attention to recent rapidity in picking and ginning, but nervous holdings have been liquidated and the technical position is greatly improved. The recent liquidation seems to have technically improved cotton with contracts scarce and hedging meagre. Firmness of spot market empnasises of cotton there, while large potential demand for grey is awaiting the announcement of ceilings.

WEEKLY REVIEW

The Bureau Report was half a million above expectations and disturbed sentiment, but heavy trade demand may offset the larger crop. Private estimates of September consumption range from 918,000 to 940,000 bales, it is reported that growers are withholding the largest portion of ginnings. With approaching peak of the movement traders are cautious Trading in cotton goods at a standstill, expecting an announcement of revised ceilings over the week-end.

MANCHESTER TRADING

Effective from October 15 the cotton controuer is adjusting prices of different growths to closer reationship with spinning values without appreciably altering the general level of prices to restore price relations between different growths and grades which obtained when the present spinning margins were fixed early in 1940. Since March 31 when the Liverpool Futures Market closed, raw cotton prices have remained at the levels recorded in Liverpool Cotton Association's daily circular for March 31. American Middling becomes 9.25 pence against 9.24. Ashmouni and Zagora 11.15 and 10.90 against 11.37 and 11.57, Giza seven and Sakels remain at 12.05 and 12.95. Spot prices for Indian cottons are substantially reduced while some better Sudans and Africans are varying increased. Until further notice the controuer will provide cover at these prices for approved orders from week to week to the extent of 12 weeks' normal production. Dashing the trade's hopes the controller announces that yarn margins will not be increased in the near future. He denies that spinners have been unwarrantably refusing order pending such increases. He says that supplies of cotton and coni to nucleus mills lately have substantially improved, and he is taking steps to stan them to the level required for maximum production. All these measures should enable textilers and particularly spinners to operate on a more economic basis.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market was quiet. There was hedging, commission house liquidation and local seling in sympathy with grains and improved weather. There was trade and spot house buying with support tempered by possible week-end developments. At the opening December was one point up at 16.94, which was the highest level. There was increased selling and December declined 12 pts at 16.51, which was the lowest, the market finally closed at a net decline of 7 to 10 pts. Spot cotton prices declined 4 pts at 17.59c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet with small selling and prices declined 2 to 4 pts. Spot cotton prices closed 2 pts down at 16.47c. per lb.

LOCAL SITUATION

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co. state:— In a demoralised market the critical situation in Russia resulted in a stampede of stale long liquidation and a sharp slump in prices. In our report dated 26th Sept. with Broach at Rs. 242, we said "There is no surprise if prices are to see near last season's lows by Dec/Jan." Also on Oct. 1st with Broach 235, we emphasised "that no surprise may overtake any one if prices are to see around Rs. 200 for Broach during the next few months." These expectations based on loss of exports and fundamental weakness of statistical position, have borne out earlier by preasent prices It is being asked now, will there be some upward reaction or not? Yes, after a straight fall of Rs. 75, some reaction is overdue, but remember that there is no huge speculative short interest and further stale long liquidation and selling against option is not yet completed. Nevertheless, we consider it undesirable now to go short and prefer securing profit on sales. The leading operators, for the time being, seem to favour scale down purchases around Rs. 190. It appears that on further reaction in industrial shares, investors are likely to step in. New York market remains closed to-day being Columbus day.

PRIVATE CABLES

New York December highest 16.94+09 (10 a.m.) lowest 16.84—.12 (11.40 a.m.)

Messrs Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Cotton declined in sympathy with other commodities, but expect higher after harvest completed.

New York Cotton

New York: Oct. 11.

October	16.47
December	16.85
January	16.88
March	17.11
May	17.28—.07
July	17.37—.10

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: Oct. 13.

Following a decline of 8 pts in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 207 for Broach A/M delivery, but the market opened steady at Rs. 211/8 and declined to Rs. 207/8 on nervous selling influenced by war news but later rallied to Rs. 209.

Whatever may be the speculative sentiment in the market, prices in the local market are depressed by heavy Bear selling and extensive liquidation. Prices have declined about Rs. 100 per candy against a drop of about 140 pts in New York market with the result that Indian cotton is the cheapest in the world and compared with the ruling cloth prices, one can say cotton is a safe investment. With a prospective large consumption of staple cotton, we believe present prices are safe even if the market declines further in the near future and with a little patience on the part of buyers, the market will have to retreat as on an improving market there will be scarcity of sellers. Later on there was active covering and prices advanced to Rs. 213/12. At this level there was some selling and prices eased off to Rs. 211/8. There was renewed buying and prices advanced to Rs. 214. There was scattered selling and prices declined to Rs. 212/8. The market finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

Broach April/May	Rs. 211/8
Oomra Dec/January	Rs. 169/0
Oomra March	Rs. 164/0
Bengal Dec/January	Rs. 134/0
Bengal March	Rs. 135/0

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay: October 13.

Bengal Fine	127/30
Berar	141/46
C. P. 1	186/89
C. P. 2	156/61
Khandesh	211/21
Mugtai	119/25
Broach	174/79
Broach Low	139/49

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: October 13.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales. 10-10-41 Since 1st Septs.

	This year	Last year
Khandesh	114	954
Central India	685	.....
Barsi and Nagar	2,430	191
Berar 66	2,179	23
Central Provinces	3,665	.....
Total Oomras 66	9,073	1,168
Dholeras 598	8,852	572
N.-W. Provinces	949	.....
Rajputana	18	.....
Sind-Punjab 398	15,380	24,542
Broach 524	3,064	387
Coompta and Dharwar	3,701	5,826
Westerns-Northerns 53	3,220	7,985
Cocanada		170
Tinneveily and Cambodia	2,980	58
Total 1,639	48,227	40,707
Arrived by road to 2nd October 1941	1,000	5,000

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: October 13.

Wheat January	0 7 0
Wheat May	0 13 0
Linseed May	1 1 0
Groundnut February	5 0 0
Castorseed May	5 12 0
Cottonseed January	1 12 0
Silver 1st settlement	0 8 0
Silver 2nd settlement	0 13 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 4 0
Gold 2nd settlement	0 7 0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

	1941/42	1940/41
F. P. Bales.		
Receipts to date 11-10-41	975000	1288000
Receipts yesterday 11-10-41	16000	.....
Export to date 10-10-41	131000	243000
Stock at Ports 10-10-41	3202000	2936000
Stock at interior towns do.	2709000	2566000
Quantity in sight 10-10-41	2571000	3.49.00

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below New York May 930 cent pts at Ex. 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay: Oct. 11.

Highest Lowest Closing at 3 p.m.

Broach A/M	215	207 1/2	208
Oomra D/J	166 1/2	161 1/2	162 1/2
Oomra Mar.	162 1/2	156 1/2	157 1/4
Bengal D/J	137 1/2	133	133
Bengal Mar.	138 1/2	134	134

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay: Oct. 13.

Yarn No.	October	December	February
6 1/2s.	201	202	203
10 1/2s.	220	221	222
20 1/2s.	332	327	325
40s.	536	540	545

Quotations for 6 1/2s, 10 1/2s and 40s are nominal.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay: October 13.

Linseed May	6 6 0
Wheat January	5 5 0
Wheat May	6 5 3

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS.

Bombay: October 13.

	Rs. a. p.
Groundnut February—	
Opening	40 14 0
Highest	41 8 0
Lowest	40 11 0
Closing	41 6 6
Cottonseeds January—	
Opening	23 2 0
Highest	23 4 0
Lowest	23 0 9
Closing	23 4 0
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	38 11 0
Highest	38 11 0
Lowest	38 4 0
Closing	38 8 0

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay: October 13.

Pepper ready per candy	87 0 0
Pepper Maha Sud 15	87 0 0
Ginger ready	35 0 0
Ginger Maha Sud 15	25 4 0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay: Oct. 13.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Ready Bond Rs. 12/8
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Shipment June Rs 9/12 F.B.H.
Shipment September Rs 9/12 F.B.H.
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Tone:—Steady.

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GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: Oct. 13.

On Saturday London markets were closed. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02½ to 4.03½ at London and 4.03 1/2 at New York.

London spot silver was 23 1/2d and forward was 23 7/16d. New York spot silver was 34 3/4 cents. London Bombay spot parity was Rs. 62/10/3 and forward parity was Rs. 62/8. The local market was quiet with a limited business and quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	Rs. 42 2 6	62 14 0
Kalbak	Rs. 42 2 6	62 12 0
Jagatsar	Rs. 42 2 6	62 12 3
Sovereign	Rs. 28/8.	

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: October 13

LONDON:
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 1/4 Two months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Three months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Four months
B. C. RATES:
T T 1/6 15/16, D D 1/6 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/6 31/64, D D 1/6 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32, D D 1/6 1/8
NEW YORK:
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4; D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2; D D Rs. 329 1/2
Cross Rates Dol. 4.02 1/2 3 1/2
MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2; D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs 297 1/4; D D Rs 295 3/4
Cross Rates Dol 4.45/47
JAVA
Banks selling T T Gld 58 3/4; D D Gld 90
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld 57 1/2
Cross Rates Gld 7.58/62
JAPAN:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting
Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting
Cross Rates Sh 1/2 1/2
BERNE:—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4; D D nil.
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2; D D nil.
Cross Rates Fcs 17.30/40
STOCKHOLM:—
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128
Cross Rates K 16.85/95
SINGAPORE:—
Banks selling T T Rs 158, D D Rs. 158
Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 155
Cross Rates Sh 2/4 5/32 7/32
HONGKONG:—
Banks selling T T Rs 85 1/4; D D Rs. 84 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs 81 1/2; D D Rs 81 1/2
Cross Rates Sh 1/3 1/32
SHANGHAI:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting
Banks buying T T not quoting D D not quoting
Cross Rates Sh 0-3 3/16
MEXICO:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D 66 27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04; D D Rs. 62.04
Cross Rates Pes. 19.5 21.5.
LISBON:—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom; D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7 55; D D Esc 7.55
Cross Rate Esc 99.80. 100.20
NEW YORK:—
Cross Rate Dol. 4.03 3/4
Tone of Sterling Exchange: Steady
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 7/16 For ward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money:—Call unquoted
1 to 2 months 1/4 per cent.
3 to 6 months 1/2 per cent
9 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone:—Very easy.

American Cotton Weekly Statistics

New York, October 10

	CORRESPONDING Season	This Season	Week	This Season to-date	Week 1940/41	1940.
Total in sight (excluding linters)	2,571	417		3,049		553
Forwarded to American mills including other American (excluding linters)	1,897	228		1,730		284
Exports from U. S. Ports	131	10		243		54
Stocks at U. S. Ports	—	3,202		—		2,936
Stocks at U. S. interior towns	—	2,709		—		2 566
Receipts at U. S. Ports	959	128		1,288		119

N.B. All in thousands of bales.
Certificated stocks are placed at 127,000 bales.

PIECEGOODS & YARN

Bombay, October 10

PIECEGOODS

Grey, Unbleached.—	Per lb.	Rs.	a.	p.
Longcloth (Standard Quality)	,,	1	2	10
Longcloth (Fine Quality)	,,	1	14	6
Shirtings	,,	1	1	9
Shirtings (Vegetable Quality)	,,	1	2	0
Leopard Cloth	,,	1	2	1
Dhoties (upto 1" nakhi Border)	,,	1	2	0
Dhoties (Calcutta, 5/8" P.B.)	,,	1	8	6
Drills	,,	1	2	0
Domestics	,,	1	1	6
Domestics	,,	1	1	10
Salita	,,	1	2	10
Chadars	,,	1	3	10
White Bleached.—				
Longcloth per piece		20	0	0
Drill ,,		15	9	9
Yarn.—				
4s (All Waste) per lb.		0	6	6
6 1/2s (All Waste) ,,		0	6	8
8 1/2s ,,		0	9	0
10 1/2s ,,		0	10	0
12 1/2s ,,		0	10	4
16s ,,		0	13	3
20s ,,		0	14	10
24s ,,		0	15	6
32s ,,		1	7	0
60s ,,		2	12	9
80s ,,		3	3	2

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay: October 13.

1122 drums Mexphalt, 1285 drums Spramax, 307 bags fish manure, 166 drums paints, 1936 pkgs dry fruits, 32 cases dry colour, 222 nos iron Tees, 40 cases papar khar, 39 c/s roofing bolts and nuts, 200 bags poppyseed, 30023 copra, 43019 pcs and bdls teakwood, 63 nos. old empty drums, 976 bls cotton.

EXPORTS

Bombay: October 13.

267 bags corriander seed Volkart Bros; 84 bls cotton pcegoods S A Bassam; 854 pkgs cotton pcegoods Central Trading Co; 41 bls cotton pcegoods C Kasturchand; 200 bls cotton waste Sapt T Products (India) Ltd; 1500 bls raw cotton Ralli Bros Ltd; 124 bags celery seed Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 200 bags Nux Vomica seeds D Abraham and Sons; 11 bags Colchicum seed D Abraham and Sons; 53 bags stramonium leaves D Abraham and Sons; 46 bls raw wool D Abraham and Sons; 32 bls raw wool C Lister and Co; 30 bls raw wool Haji E Dossa; 180 bags roots Ebrahim Mavji and Co; 140 bags psyllium seed husk D Abraham and Sons; 24 bls lambs skins raw K Deepchand; 50 bls raw cotton Volkart Bros; 13 bls cotton pcegoods N M Bros and Co; 73 bls cotton yarn G N Musry; 93 bags gum S D Dharsi; 132 bags gum Nemchand Premchand and Co; 66 bags gum Mepani Bros; 23 bales rayon waste K P Thacker and Sons; 45 bales cotton pcegoods K H Hilai; 72 bags Belladona roots D Abraham and Sons; 82 bags dry ginger S M Kaigor and Co; 40 bls cotton pcegoods G N Musry.

Bankers' Clearing

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 10-10-1941 were as under:—Number of cheques—1,39,895. Amount of cheques—Rs. 20,69,87,356/1/3.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Oct. 13.

The local Share Bazar remained entirely closed to-day being 21st day of Ramzan.

399 YEARS AGO TO-DAY

India Must Celebrate Fourth Centenary Of Akbar

Mr. B. F. Bharucha, writes:—

It was 399 years ago, tomorrow that Akbar was born in Sind. He was the greatest of the Moghul Rulers of India, and reigned the longest period—1556 to 1605 A.D.

He was the Father and Founder of inter communal unity in India For, (1) Mansingh was his General.

(2) Todarmal was his Revenue and Finance Minister.

(3) Birbul was his Private Councellor.

(4) Tansen was his State Musician And

(5) Dastur Meherji Rana was an honoured Member of his Theological Circle, which included Hindu, Muslim and Christian Divines also.

(6) He was thus the real Father of his subjects, and effective Defender of their Faiths.

(7) His was a model reign in all respects—Toleration to all—Equality to all—no distrust; no favouritism—no exploitation.

(8) His system of land survey and taxation was so equitable.

(9) He was a great Patron of Learning, Art and Industry, and thus earned the undying distinction of being named Akbar the Great.

This is the year of his Fourth Centenary. "With the Youth of India, who love inter communal Unity, rise to the occasion and celebrate Akbar's 400th Jayanti throughout the country.

I gladly endorse the appeal made in this connection by Messrs. M. M. Banaji and All K. Munshi. May India pay her homage to Akbar the Great.

Kalidas's "Gangastak"

PATNA, Oct. 12.

A Sanskrit book of verse named "Gangastakam" bearing the name of Kavi Kalidas as its author has been found in the house of Pandit Trigunanand Shukla, a Sanskrit scholar of the village Awadhpura in Seran district.

It is not however definite if the author is the same as the world renowned Indian poet Kalidas.—A. P.

Naiekar May Start Temple Entry Satyagraha

Mr. Ramaswami Naiekar, the leader of the Justice Party in Madras Legislative Assembly, met the members of the Samaj Samata Sangh, at Nana Chowk, Gowalia Tank on Sunday evening and discussed with them the Indian and the international political situation and pointed out that the present Satyagraha movement will have grave consequences and not only hamper the war effort, but will also be detrimental to the interests of the Depressed Classes and other minorities. He pointed out that he was going to launch a Satyagraha movement at Madras to get the right of the depressed classes to enter the hotels and temples.

Hapur Wheat Market Report

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, October 11

During the week under review, the local wheat market again ruled very erratic. There were wide fluctuations almost daily and speculators played on both sides. The week opened with an unsteady undertone and by Sunday evening continued to record a gradual decline. Weakness of seeds and cotton, and hopeful swani crop returns induced heavy speculative sellings. Besides next crop sowing prospects are regarded to be quite promising and is believed that relatively higher prices obtaining this year might provide a certain inducement for larger sowings both in this province and in the Punjab. Harvesting of food crops has begun and the steady inflow of the produce in the market is bound to exert a quietening influence.

On the other hand unexpectedly heavy demand for shipments at Karachi has given a very valuable support to the bulls. It has been argued in some quarters that if the present scale of exports continue—and there is every likelihood of being so—serious shortage of wheat may be felt in this country towards the end of the season as India hardly produce wheat more than her requirements. The announcement of heavy reduction in the import duty on wheat and the news that the British Ministry of Shipping has made available one ship for the carriage of wheat from Australia to India did not encourage hopes of Australian wheat imports as prices in Australia are a long way off the parity. It is calculated that heavy freight and war risk insurance rates would hence the price of Australian wheat at Indian ports to about 6/2 at the current level of 27s 6d. Indian wheat prices are much lower to this.

At lower levels support was not slow to appear.

Jeth had closed at 3/8/11 on Saturday last. On Sunday, there was a slight improvement towards the close to 3/9/3. On Monday it touched 3/10/10 1/2 and on Tuesday 3/11/5 in the highest. There was a reaction on Wednesday when it fell to 3/10. It went further down to 3/9/7 1/2 on Thursday. On Friday the undertone was rather erratic. It opened unsteady later improved and in the final stages again showed signs of wearing down. Present it is quoted at 3/10. Ready wheat prices and Mangsir futures remained pegged round 4 the maximum control rate.

Exports during the week were on an increased scale and totalled about 91 khattis. The present stock is put at 538 khattis against 581 khattis on the corresponding date last year.

Weather remains dry but the next wheat crop ploughings are in full swing.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay: October 13.

Copper sheets lb. 21—Rs. 94, 28—86/8, 35—86/8, 42—85/8, 49-56—84/8.

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb 20-21—Rs. 93, 24—90, 28—89, 35—87, 42—86, 49-56—85.

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 54, Rosita Rs. 53. Country make Rs 44, Pig.ead B.M.' refined Rs. 23/4 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Penang Rs. 54/4 per qr.

SETTLEMENTS RATES

Sopper sheets Posh Rs. 84/12,

Pigiead 'B.M.' Magsar Rs. 22/6. Tin Ingot Penang Magsar Rs. 53/8.

Market tone:—Weak.

Sales Of Madras Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. 50,00,000 of three months' Government of Madras Treasury Bills were opened on Monday, the 13th October 1941. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,80,50,000.

Tenders at Rs. 99/13/3 and above were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 50,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0/11/0 per cent per annum.

FIXATION OF JUTE ACREAGE

"No Decision Yet": Bengal Premier Warns Speculators

CALCUTTA, Oct. 13.

An assurance to the public that no decision has been arrived at by the Government of Bengal as to the fixation of acreage of jute for the coming year, is given by the Chief Minister of Bengal, Mr A. K. Fazlul Huq, in a statement to the Associated Press to-day. Mr. Huq adds that any attempt to exploit the position by false propaganda will be seriously considered and suitably dealt with.

In his statement Mr. Huq says "on my return to Calcutta yesterday, I received anxious enquiries as to the decision of Government regarding the fixation of jute acreage for 1942. I found that mischievous rumours were being circulated and the market was being exploited by the speculators to the detriment of the interest of the cultivators. As a matter of fact the prices were going down steadily, I tried to get into touch with the Hon'ble Minister concerned who is now at Darjeeling with a view to asking him to issue a statement stating the real facts. The trunk line for Darjeeling being out of order, I could not talk to the Minister. I find however that the matter is urgent and serious and some kind of assurance to the public is necessary. I, therefore, make this statement to assure the public that no decision as to the fixation of acreage has been arrived at by Government. I also warn the speculators that any attempt to exploit the position by false propaganda will be seriously considered and suitably dealt with by Government."—A. P

NEW DAILY FOR CALCUTTA

"Navajug" Will Protect Interests Of Bengal Muslims, Says Huq

CALCUTTA, Oct. 13.

The circumstances necessitating the founding of "Navajug", a Bengali daily, were narrated by the Bengal Premier, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, to a gathering of Hindus and Moslems at 123, Lower Circular Road, Calcutta, on Sunday night when the offices of the paper were opened.

"Navajug", it was announced, while being run as an impartial newspaper, would strive to protect the interests of the Moslems belonging to the province of Bengal.

In the course of his address, Mr. Fazlul Huq referred to his recent correspondence with the Secretary of the All-India Muslim League and said that, following this, a vote of censure was passed against him at an emergency meeting of the Bengal Branch of the organization and that three of his colleagues participated in proceedings. He added that the meeting was convened without his knowledge, although he was the President of this body. These were facts which could not be ignored and, since Moselm-owned newspapers in Bengal were not doing what was expected of them, those who were his followers had to have one which would serve as their mouthpiece. He invited public support to "Navajug."

Kazi Nazrul Islam, a well-known Bengali poet, who would be one of the editors, also addressed the gathering and said that the paper would be free from all communal bias.—A. P.

SIR HOMI'S BUSY DAY IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

Sir Homi Mody, Supply Member, Government of India, who is now in Bombay with a view to explore the possibilities of ensuring for Government adequate supplies of cotton textiles to meet their war requirement, was busily engaged this morning in his office at Bombay House, granting interviews to various people.

In the afternoon Sir Homi attended the meeting of the Advisory Panel at Hararvala Building, Ballard Estate, where the cotton textile directorate of the Department of Supply from Delhi is now being shifted.

Sir Homi is leaving Bombay for Simla on Friday next.

A. R. P. DINNER AT KHAR

The exact scope of work of A.R.P. Wardens was described by Mr. Patterson, head of the Bombay Suburban A.R.P. in the course of his reply to the toast raised to his health last night at the dinner given by the president and members of the Managing Committee of the Khar Division of A.R.P. at the C.K.P. Hall when covers were laid for nearly 200 guests.

Mr. Patterson said that he was surprised at the strange ideas some of the wardens had regarding A.R.P. work.

Prof. V. G. Rao thanked Mr. Patterson and others for the help and encouragemtnt they gave to the Khar Division in its work.

Duff Cooper Reaches Darjeeling

DARJEELING, Oct. 13.

Mr. Duff Cooper, British Minister of States, accompanied by the Lady Diana Duff Cooper arrived here this morning.—A. P.

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Nazis Within 100 Miles Of Moscow

Soviet Forces Withdraw From Briansk

Both Sides Pouring In Fresh Men In Struggle

MOSCOW, Oct. 13.

Soviet midnight communique announces that Briansk has been evacuated. The communique announces fighting along the entire front particularly fiercely in the directions of Briansk and Vyazma.

Marshal Timoshenko's forces which are barring the road to Msocow are strongly counter-attacking as Hitler hurls more and more divisions into the struggle.

In the vital central sector of the Vyazma zone—some 140 miles west of Moscow—Soviet tanks hurled Nazis out of a town and drove them several miles westward, according to despatches received in Moscow on Sunday night from the front.

German Thrust Checked

In the directions of Briansk, which the Soviet midnight communique admitted was evacuated, and Vyazma fighting is described as particularly fierce.

A German attempted thrust north from Orel 200 miles south of Moscow again has been checked, but it is stated in Moscow that at a number of points the German drive has not been held and the situation is still serious.

Meanwhile, big reinforcements of tanks, infantry, artillery and cavalry are being rushed up to relieve Marshal Timoshenko's hard-pressed forces.

As Hitler stakes everything on his desperate bid to reach Moscow before winter his losses steadily mount. In a single engagement in the Vyazma-Briansk front 9,000 Germans were killed.

Battle Of Annihilation

A special German communique on Sunday claimed that German troops were "in full action" along the 745 miles front from the Valdai Hills to the Sea of Azov, the battlefield of Briansk-Vyazma being "already far behind the front".

An earlier announcement claimed a new victory in the Sea of Azov area where a battle of annihilation has been concluded.

The seriousness of position in the Ukraine where the Germans are thrusting towards the vital industrial area is not denied in Moscow and it is admitted that the Germans have driven a wedge into the Soviet lines at one point which, however, is unspecified.

According to an unofficial Berlin report, the Germans have captured Taganrog on the coast of the Sea of Azov, 40 miles from Rostov.

On the Leningrad front the Germans have apparently renewed their offensive but have again been checked.

Briansk Evacuated

The Soviet midnight 'communique' announces: "On October 12 our troops fought the enemy along the whole front. The fighting was particularly fierce in the Briansk and Vyazma directions. After many days' stubborn fighting our troops left Briansk.

"During October 10, 27 German planes were destroyed. We lost 11 planes. Four German planes were caught down in the approaches to Moscow on October 11 and 12.

Danger In South

A plainspoken editorial published in the "Red Star" to-day says "Despite their immense losses, numerical superiority both in effectives and material in the sectors of attack still rests with the Germans.

Taking advantage of this, they have succeeded in forcing back our units in Vyazma and Briansk sectors. At a number of points the enemy has not yet been held. He has launched his hand-picked Nazi gangs against Moscow.

On the south-western front as the result of ceaseless attacks the enemy in one sector has penetrated to the rear of our defences."

The "Red Star" adds, "To the industrial centres bordering the Azov Sea there has arisen real danger. The enemy is striving to reach the Don Basin. The danger created by new German offensive demands that we summon blood And we have sufficient strength Only what is needed is absolute endurance and that breath of heroism by which our nation defeated all deadly enemies throughout its long history."

SOVIET'S NEW WEAPON

VICHY, Oct. 13.

Soviet troops on the eastern front are employing a new kind of "machinegun cannon" according to a dispatch from the Soviet frontier to the Vichy News Agency.

Details of this weapon says the dispatch are somewhat contradictory.

An Italian source describes it as a rocket gun with a charge of 60 shells of various calibres which are fired simultaneously and explode successively like fireworks.

One German source talks of the guns having a firing capacity of 60 rounds per minute.—Reuter.

Pouring In For Defence Of Moscow

MOSCOW, October 12.

Moscow is no longer a rear base It has become what is called in Russia "a frontal town."

This afternoon I watched welcome new reserve marching along the streets in dim autumn sunlight to points from where they will move into the front, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

Guns rolled by. Lorries—some obviously new some gravel-soiled but all clearly determined to break records in getting back to support bases in the war area—hooted impatiently through a pedestrian crossing.

The capital has been unmistakably told that this is an hour of danger for the nation.

In July when the German drive toward Moscow was checked in the region of Smolensk the population remained largely ignorant until the danger was past.

This time however Muscovites have been definitely informed that the enemy has secured a wedge into the Soviet defences in the central sub-sector of the Vyazma front and that desperate battles have gone on for days for the river "M".

They now know that the chief threat is through the enemy's determination to gain entry to the important highway. They also know that the Germans have squandered many lives in three large parachute landings in the rear of the Soviet forces in this region.

The army today knows that in the past 48 hours the Germans made a stabbing drive northward from the Briansk area aiming to come behind the Soviet defences in the region of Vyazma.

A tank battalion under Emenov went out to hold off this danger until larger Soviet forces could come up to deal with the situation.—Reuter.

U. S. Bombers For Middle East

Air Experts Reach Africa To Build New Route To Facilitate Supply

CAIRO, Oct. 13.

American civil aviation technicians and experts will shortly be working in remote outposts over the breadth of Central Africa from the west coast to Sudan putting into operation one of the most gigantic aeroplane delivery plans on record, says Reuter's special correspondent.

Bombers and fighters flown or shipped across the Atlantic will be ferried by air direct across Central Africa to Sudan, thence to the Middle East.

The Forerunners of United States air experts are already on the scene. This afternoon a giant silver air liner touched down a Middle East airport bringing a small party of Pan American Airways experts who are charged with initiating the operation of the service.

They have flown from Sudan where they are at present stationed for a brief discussions with the R.A.F. Middle East authorities.

The importance of the new scheme cannot be over-praised.

With shiploads of United States war material already pouring into the Middle East by sea, the operating of these new air routes with the resultant speeding up of the delivery of United States aircraft constitutes another tremendous step forward.

Britain's air strength in the Middle East grows daily and by the end of the year should reach a new peak.—Reuter.

SEVERE FROSTS IN RUSSIA

LONDON Oct. 13.

Cold weather has already set in on the central front and fields are covered with the first snow, according to the Soviet army newspaper the "Red Star" quoted by the Moscow radio.

There are severe frosts at night and early morning.

Bulgaria Denies Mobilisation

BERLIN, Oct. 13.

The report that general mobilisation is taking place in Bulgaria is denied by the official Bulgarian News Agency in a Sofia despatch to the official German New Agency.—Reuter.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE ALONE WILL SAVE MOSCOW

LONDON, Oct. 13.

Lord Beaverbrook's rallying cry to the people of Britain on Sunday night that "Stalin must be sustained" is echoed by the London and provincial newspapers this morning.

Approving the speed and efficiency which marked the Moscow Conference discussions, "The Times" declares, "So much for the planning, now the task of execution, of following up and accelerating measures already taken to supply Russia with her essential needs lies ahead.

If she can tide over the next few highly critical weeks, it may be taken for granted that though operations may continue through winter, they will not be on the gigantic scale of the past three months and the demand for equipment will be neither so large nor so urgent as now."

Commenting on the "loudly voiced suspicion" that Britain has sent very little aid to Russia the "Daily Mail" describes it as "both premature and unfair and based on no evidence whatever."

The "Daily Telegraph" also deplores the "feverish volubility armchair strategists."

The "News Chronicle" makes two points. One is that if British aid in the shape of tanks and planes already arriving in Russia can help to keep the Soviet armies in being "clearly our best policy should have it next other activities."

It also emphasises the importance of the fact that at the Moscow Conference barriers of suspicion were broken down, confidence was restored and personal relations established between Stalin and the British and American representatives.

The "Daily Express" declares that the criticism of Government that the aid to Russia is not enough has now been answered by Lord Beaverbrook.

While reiterating the general sentiments about the urgency of helping Russia, the "Daily Herald" on the other hand declares that simultaneously with expediting materials to the Ally BRITAIN'S LEADERS, POLITICAL AND MILITARY, "MUST BE SEARCHING THEIR MINDS AND THEIR MAPS FOR THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO ATTACK SO AS TO RELIEVE GERMAN PRESSDRE IN THE EAST".

The same line is taken by the "Manchester Guardian" who warns "there must be no illusions of Russian manpower and that British and American arms will be sufficient for victory. We also shall have some time to take the offensive and contribute our armies."—Reuter.

Monckton On His Mission

Hopes To Study Press Problems In Moscow

CAIRO, Oct. 12.

"Personal contact and discussions are better than paper" Sir Walter Monckton, Director General of the Ministry of Information told war correspondents and pressmen at an informal meeting here to-day.

Sir Walter Monckton, who is "en route" to Moscow to confer with M. Lozovsky said, "I hope to study press problems in Russia and to get more news published.

I am also taking advantage of my stay in Cairo to examine the press problems of the Middle-East and to improve facilities".

Referring to the morale of Britain he said, "Food conditions are certainly not worse than were six months ago. Indeed reserves are better. The present lull in the air offensive is giving the people a chance to rest and prepare for the next phase.

HARRY M. DAUGHERTY DEAD

COLUMBUS, (Ohio) Oct. 12.

Harry M. Daugherty, who for some years after 1920 defended himself against allegations in connection with the famous Teapot Dome scandal, died here on Sunday following a heart attack aged 81.

Daugherty entered the Coolidge Cabinet as Attorney-General in 1920. Before and after the 1920 elections repeated attacks were made against his political record and personal qualifications and early in 1923 allegations were brought forward involving him in the notorious Teapot Dome Oil scandal.

The Senate committee appointed to investigate his administration heard sensational allegations of bribery and corruption and urged by party leaders Ex-President Coolidge asked him to resign.

Daugherty vigorously defended himself against all accusations.—Reuter.

NEW SLOGAN AGAINST CONGRESS

Encouraged Muslims In Pakistan Demand

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12.

The necessity of establishment of unity among Hindus, criticism of the pro-Muslim policy of the Congress, a strong condemnation of the Pakistan scheme of the Muslim League, enunciation of the fundamental principles of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, and an impassioned appeal to Hindus to join the Hindu Mahasabha, were some features of a speech made by Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha, at a public meeting held on Gandhi Grounds this evening, Dr. B. S. Moonje presiding.

Referring to Mr. Jinnah's utterances that India was unfit for democracy, Mr. Savarkar asked if India was unfit for democracy, how could the principle of democracy came to be applied to a few Provinces wherein Muslims were in majority. He maintained, "Mr. Jinnah might have successfully divided India fifty years back; but now that Hindus have become conscious of their rights, Mr. Jinnah's efforts to divide India will be foiled."

He remarked that the Congress was responsible for encouraging Muslims and for their demand for partitioning India. It was the greater blunder, he added on the part of Congress leaders to ask Mr Jinnah to put up his scheme of Pakistan for consideration by the Congress.

In the end Mr Savarkar urged Hindus to unite under the banner of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha to achieve their goal.

Mr. Bharat Misra a Hindu Sabha leader from Bihar, spoke next condemning the action of the Government of his province in placing the ban on the forthcoming session of the Mahasabha at Bhagalpur. Mr Padmaraj Jain criticised Gandhiji's policy of non-violence.—United Press.

TOKYO'S EYES ON MOSCOW

WILL PLAY SAME ROLE AS ITALY DID IN CASE OF FRANCE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, October 13.

Interest in speculation regarding Hitler's plans is going on here. It is believed according to well-informed circles that Hitler is preparing Japan to attack the Soviet now and weaken further Russian fighting strength.

Finish Italy Now

Clear Up Mediterranean To Send Help To Soviet

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Oct. 13.

As the Soviet Armies fight with back to the wall with growing menace to Moscow the cry "must strike now" grow all over the country. Sir Henry Morris-Jones, Liberal M. P. and Mr. Emanual Shinwell, Labour M. P. voiced forcefully the nation's demand that Britain must strike to divert the Nazis from Moscow.

All Sunday papers frankly admit the extreme gravity of the situation and advocate immediate action.

Mr. Hore-Belisha, ex-War Minister, suggests that a decisive blow against Italy should be administered now and the Mediterranean cleared which should serve as a route for supply and effective help to Russia.

Briefly his argument is that if Italy is finally defeated any danger to Egypt is removed and supplies to Russia through the Mediterranean and through the Persian Gulf secured.

It is difficult to speculate what military plans are being formulated by the War Cabinet but it can be said that the public are becoming extremely uneasy at no effort being done to relieve the pressure on Russia.

Mr. Shinwell said speaking at Durham: "The whole nation is uneasy and not even the eloquent Prime Minister can remove our fears.

If the General Staff advising the Prime Minister believes that it is wiser to conserve our resources for the ultimate defence of this country they are making a great blunder."

Recognising the difficulty of invading the Western Front and yet strongly advocating the diversion of the Nazi forces from the Eastern Front Mr. Shinwell declared: "I am convinced that our assistance for Russia is so far inadequate and that more must be done if we are to ease the position for our ally or ourselves.

The whole atmosphere is surcharged with gravity and expectancy and Parliament is expected to show this spirit of the Nation's feeling when it meets again to discuss the Russian campaign.

Not to conquer all Russia but to reduce the Soviet armies to impotence, so that Russia cannot attack if German armies dig in for winter, is stated to be the object.

When the above is achieved Hitler will offer "peace" to Britain and Russia on his terms.

If the peace offer is rejected Hitler, with the aid of Admiral Darlan, will strike at Britain by going into Spain and Portugal and occupying the French and Spanish north and west African territories. Both the moves are essential for the battle of the Atlantic and would provide bases for driving the British fleet from the Mediterranean.

The "Sunday Despatch" diplomatic correspondent says: "These moves would be accompanied by big fifth column drive in Latin American countries with the object of starting pro-Axis revolutions in those countries."

MOBILISATION NEAR MANCHURIA

Thirty-Two Divisions Concentrated On Border

CHUNGKING, Oct. 13.

Chinese forces are beginning a counter-offensive advancing on Shasi on the Ichang fort, it was stated here last evening.

The Japanese, it is stated are moving troops up to Manchuria and had concentrated 32 divisions on the Manchurian border. The position at Ichang, according to semi-official despatch therefrom was that the Japanese attempted to harass Chinese position at a few points of lesser importance at one of which a few hundred Japanese were killed, the remainder fleeing eastwards.

The Japanese holding out at Shwangliensu and Lungchuenpu are running short of ammunition and food and are receiving supplies by air.

The Japanese renewed their westward push from Chengchow but the Chinese claim that a Japanese attack ten miles northwest of Chengchow was repulsed on Saturday.—Reuter.

Makin's Call To "Aussie" Workers

MELBOURNE, Oct. 12.

"Sincere and efficient co-operation" of all workers in expediting provision of munitions and equipment was urged by Mr. Makin, the New Minister of Navy and Munitions in a speech here to-day.

Mr. Stopholiway, Minister for Social Services and Health in the new Labour Cabinet, announced that Government would soon introduce a commonwealth social security scheme covering housing pensions and unemployment insurance.—Reuter.

We'll Defend Last Square Foot Of Our Country

MELBOURNE, Oct. 12.

"We will not allow one square foot of our country to be occupied without fight. We prefer honourable death to a dishonourable life", declared Councillor Van De Plas, Leader of the Dutch East Indies Official and Press Delegation to Australia, speaking at a newspaper proprietors' dinner to the delegation.

He added, "we are your neighbours. We share with you the ideals of justice, truth, tolerance and respect towards our neighbours".—Reuter.

Brooke-Popham Off To Australia & New Zealand

SINGAPORE, Oct. 13.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East, left for Australia and New Zealand by air on Monday morning to confer with Australian and New Zealand Governments Service Chiefs.

He expects to be away six weeks.—Reuter.

MADRAS.—Three Italian prisoners of war who were reported missing from a Concentration Camp in South India were arrested on Friday the 10th instant at a place called Palamaner in Chittoor District according to the Chittoor correspondent of the "Hindu".

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE AND THE FLYING SQUAD

TELL US OR YOU'LL NEVER COMPLETE YOUR PLANS!
NO!
HOTCHKISS, YOU ARE A GREAT SCIENTIST, YOU HAVE MANY SECRETS!
BALDO, YOU'RE A SPY! YOU'VE TAKEN MY PLANS FOR AN INVISIBLE PLANE!
YOU SHALL TELL US THE OTHERS! YOU NEED NOT LOOK AROUND, WE ARE ALONE HERE...
GOT A GUN?
NO!
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